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County Voice & Communicator to Become a "G.I.F.T. for the Community"

Stephen Patrick
Editor

Things are changing at the Voice and the future looks to be truly exciting. Starting with the July long-week papers all profits from the County Voice and it's good news magazine, The Communicator will be going to local charitable projects which will have a profound and lasting impact on the entire county of Haliburton.

The County Voice Inc. founders and owners Brett and Joanne Irvine have announced that they have successfully negotiated a transfer of all County Voice assets to a new company led jointly by themselves and Haliburton entrepreneur Maarten Steinkamp. This company will manage the operation of the County Voice and the Communicator until such time as a new charitable Foundation, entitled the G.I.F.T. (Giving It For Tomorrow) Foundation, is legally established.

It takes approximately four to five months to get a duly registered charity up and running: until that time the holding company will keep all profits from the operation of the newspaper and magazine in trust for the G.I.F.T. Foundation.

So why, after eight wild, crazy, and profitable years with the Highlands Communicator, and after two and half years since the successful launch of the County Voice, did the Irvines decide to seek out another ownership model?

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Maarten Steinkamp, Joanne and Brett Irvine are thrilled to team together to create a new foundation with a mandate to fund projects that will have a profound impact on the county as a whole.

CEWF Speaks with Trent-Severn Waterway Officials

Liz Daniels
Staff Reporter

"The TSW has not recognized the need to change their behaviour." (Dr. Chris Riddle)

Water levels continue to be a matter of grave concern for many Haliburtonians and, while Trent Severn Waterway officials have been bombarded with anxious voices trying to address various concerns, the question of whether they can or will actually respond to them in any meaningful way remains unanswered. Even the most diplomatic of spokesmen in the county are showing their frustration over events in what is considered by all to be an extraordinary year for water levels.

Earlier this month, Dr. Chris Riddle, Martin Rist, Roger Cunningham and Stephen Foster, all members of the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow Advisory Committee, met with officials of the Trent Severn Waterway, and while the meeting was part of the group brought some very specific concerns raised throughout Haliburton to the TSW's attention.

The meeting took place with the newly appointed Field Unit Superintendent Dawn Bronson and two other key people within the TSW, Zack Alexander, Director of Canal Operations and Dave Ness, Water Control Engineer and according to CEWF Co-chair Dr. Chris Riddle, it resulted in limited success.

Riddle said that overall the TSW continues to blame unusually low water levels and associated problems on a lack of precipitation. "You can look at that in a number of different ways, but I think it is certainly hard to argue broadly with that," he said.

"However, they have a fairly standard set of operating conditions that don't adequately take into account the differences from year to year, particularly between a wet year

and a dry year and they tend to follow broadly along the same operating parameters."

To their credit, Riddle did say that some minor adjustments have been made this year, but other than that their one standard of operating errs more on the side of preparing for a wet year. "For them there is a lot more downside if there is flooding in the spring. But this is an exceptional year and, as they

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Algonquin Highlands Prepares for Airport Expansion

By Jerry Grozelle

With the favourable draft screening report from the Canadian Environmental Assessment Review Board, Algonquin Highlands council invited municipal Engineer Mike Osborne to the June 17 council meeting to discuss the next steps in the process of developing the Stanhope Airport facility.

Osborne reviewed the process to date, which would see the rehabilitation of the current runway and the construction of a new runway at the airport.

He noted that the projected cost of the project is \$3.445-million. The

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"This has all happened so fast, it's unbelievable," said Joanne Irvine. "We've invented a new product called Au Garcon that is taking off not just in Canada, but globally. We realized that we simply couldn't run both businesses effectively at the same time." [To learn about their new invention, see accompanying story by Courtney Griffin on Page ...]

With Au Garcon taking on a Global presence, the Irvines sought out the professional advice of Maarten Steinkamp – a successful entrepreneur with first hand knowledge of European business practices. "Maarten was the CEO of Sony BMG in Europe for so many years, and has many other business dealings overseas – we valued his advice in tackling the Euro market," says Brett.

"During our conversations with Maarten over the past couple of months he asked what we were doing with the Voice. We said we were feeling very sad, because it looked like we were either going to have to find a buyer, likely a large media corporation, or hire on a management team to give the same level of service when we are called away. Maarten has offered to do this and more and with his business background we feel proud and confident in the direction the paper will be growing" explained Brett.

"We really didn't think it would be right for the community to sell to a large corporate media interest where profits leave the town, since one of those interests was already represented here." Joanne added, "We also didn't want to see it not continue – it's profitable and it employs so many local people and we want to



Maarten joins the staff at the Voice who are ready to begin the new venture. Pictured are - Back Row from Left: Shawn Welsh, Walter Griffin, Courtney Griffin, Maarten Steinkamp, Wanda Robinson, Liz Daniels, and Bridget Walker. Front Row: Stephen Patrick, Karen Aschenbrenner, and Heather Kennedy. Pictured left in separate photo is photographer Lyn Winans.

keep those jobs secure. We have a great staff here and we care about them a lot."

That's when Steinkamp, who started his career in the Netherlands as a journalist, began to think about a new ownership model that could keep the papers alive and benefit the county at the same time. "I knew how good the papers were, and how much they mattered to the community," said Steinkamp. "So when we started tossing ideas around and got very excited about the charity concept, I thought this could give an entirely new meaning to the definition of a community newspaper. Establish a foundation that will operate the newspaper, on a for-profit basis, and channel all profits, after operating expenses, back to the community. I don't think anything like this has been done – not on this level."

He continued, "You know, since I started as a journalist, and loved the profession so much, this is like closing a circle for me, to be involved like this. This will be my biggest hobby, to see a

huge contribution back to this county – believe me!"

Steinkamp also wanted to make it absolutely clear that the editorial independence of the Voice will continue, with the editorial and production staff remaining intact (See this week's editorial on Page four). Well-known Haliburton designer and publisher Andrea Hillo will be joining the team as a creative consultant. She will be helping with the overall look of the publications, as well as creating many other exciting publishing opportunities and special sections for our advertisers.

The G.I.F.T. Foundation will be run by board members Steinkamp and the Irvines. This board will be supported by a full advisory board made up of Haliburton County's business and community leaders. "We want full county representation," says Steinkamp. "There will be an announcement in the paper – a call for board members, and people can apply to sit on the board." Steinkamp fully expects the profits for G.I.F.T. could be into six figures annually. "On the advice of the Board we will decide on charitable projects that the Foundation will support, in the areas primarily of health and education or projects that impact the county as a whole."

For the Irvines they will still be closely associated with the business and its operations. "We're not moving away from the community and we'll still be a phone call away and we'll still be checking in from time to time. But it's terrific that the papers will continue to remain local and in addition give its profits back into the community." Both Joanne and Brett want to express their sincere gratitude to all businesses, organizations and readers who have support their publications over the past nine years. "It's not goodbye – we still plan to live here in Haliburton County – we just won't be around as much as before."

Brett, Joanne and Maarten will be visiting area businesses to answer any questions and welcome any input over the next couple weeks. "We welcome any fresh ideas, comments and input. It's a new company filled with new energy, excitement and we want everyone to feel part of this venture because now it is truly Haliburton County's newspaper". ■

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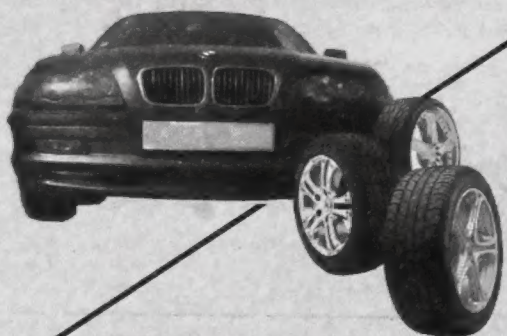
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Letters To Juliet (PG) - Amanda Seyfried	7:15	6:45
Karate Kid (PG) - Jackie Chan	7:30	7:30
Get Him to the Greek (14A) - Jonah Hill	N/A	9:30
Knight And Day (PG) - Tom Cruise	8:00	8:00
Grown Ups (PG) - Adam Sandler	N/A	7:45
Prince of Persia (PG) - Jake Gyllenhaal	7:45	N/A
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▲ 21° ▼ 13°

FRIDAY



Partly cloudy and milder

▲ 23° ▼ 13°

SATURDAY



Chance of scattered thunderstorms

▲ 24° ▼ 13°

SUNDAY



Partly cloudy and pleasant

▲ 24° ▼ 11°

MONDAY



Continued partly cloudy

▲ 24° ▼ 11°

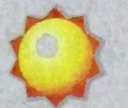
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▲ 24° ▼ 12°

WEDNESDAY



Continued mild sunny

▲ 26° ▼ 14°

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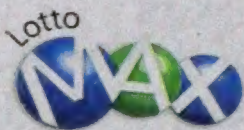
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City	Today Hi/Low/Outk	Friday Hi/Low/Outk	Saturday Hi/Low/Outk	City	Today Hi/Low/Outk	Friday Hi/Low/Outk	Saturday Hi/Low/Outk
Acapulco	34/26/ts	34/26/ts	33/26/cl	Montego Bay	32/26/ts	32/26/ts	32/27/su
Antigua	31/25/ts	31/26/ts	31/26/su	Nassau	32/27/ts	32/27/ts	31/28/sh
Barbados	31/27/ts	31/27/ts	31/27/ra	Port au Prince	34/23/ts	33/26/ts	33/26/cl
Bermuda	31/26/pc	31/26/pc	31/26/sh	Puerto Vallarta	29/24/ts	29/25/ts	29/24/ts
Cancun	32/25/ts	32/26/ts	33/25/ts	St Thomas	31/27/ra	31/26/ts	31/26/ra
Curacao	31/26/ts	31/26/ts	30/27/ts	St Maarten	32/27/ra	32/27/ts	31/27/ts
Freeport	33/27/ts	33/28/ts	33/28/su	San Jose, CR	31/21/ts	31/22/ts	31/21/ra
Georgetown	29/24/ts	30/25/ts	31/24/ts	San Juan	32/26/ra	32/26/ts	32/26/ra
Havana	33/25/ts	34/24/ts	34/24/su	San Salvador	32/22/ts	32/23/ts	32/22/su
Key West	33/28/ts	32/27/ts	32/28/sh	Santo Domingo	33/26/ts	33/26/ts	33/26/su
Kingston	32/26/ts	32/26/ts	33/26/su	Trinidad	31/24/ts	31/25/ts	29/24/ra

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Low/Outk	Friday Hi/Low/Outk	Saturday Hi/Low/Outk	Sunday Hi/Low/Outk	Monday Hi/Low/Outk	Tuesday Hi/Low/Outk	Wednesday Hi/Low/Outk
Bancroft	21/12/sh	23/13/pc	24/13/ts	24/11/pc	24/11/pc	24/12/su	26/14/su
Barrie	22/13/sh	24/13/pc	24/13/pc	24/12/pc	24/11/pc	24/13/su	27/14/su
Dorset	21/12/sh	23/13/pc	24/13/ts	24/11/pc	24/11/pc	24/12/su	26/14/su
Haliburton	21/13/sh	23/13/pc	24/13/ts	24/11/pc	24/11/pc	24/12/su	26/14/su
Huntsville	21/12/sh	23/13/pc	24/13/ts	24/11/pc	24/11/pc	24/12/su	26/14/su
Kingston	22/13/sh	24/13/pc	25/13/ts	24/12/pc	24/12/pc	24/13/su	27/15/su
Lindsay	22/13/sh	24/13/pc	24/12/pc	24/11/pc	24/11/pc	24/13/su	27/14/su
Minden	21/13/sh	23/13/pc	24/13/ts	24/12/pc	24/11/pc	24/12/su	26/14/su
Oshawa	23/14/sh	25/14/pc	26/14/ts	25/13/pc	24/12/pc	26/13/su	28/16/su
Ottawa	22/11/sh	25/13/pc	24/12/pc	24/11/pc	23/11/pc	24/12/su	26/13/pc
Toronto	23/14/sh	25/14/pc	26/14/ts	25/13/pc	24/12/pc	26/13/su	28/16/su

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Low/Outk	Friday Hi/Low/Outk	Saturday Hi/Low/Outk	Sunday Hi/Low/Outk	Monday Hi/Low/Outk	Tuesday Hi/Low/Outk	Wednesday Hi/Low/Outk
Calgary	23/11/sh	21/11/sh	16/15/sh	29/17/ts	31/18/pc	27/15/ts	28/14/pc
Edmonton	24/11/pc	21/12/sh	18/6/sh	18/7/sh	20/7/sh	21/8/ts	23/9/pc
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Halifax	18/14/sh	22/11/pc	21/9/ts	20/7/ts	19/7/pc	21/9/pc	21/9/pc
Montreal	22/13/sh	23/14/pc	24/12/ts	23/11/pc	23/10/pc	24/11/su	26/13/pc
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St. John's	17/11/sh	19/10/pc	14/7/sh	13/6/sh	14/7/sh	14/7/pc	16/9/pc
Saskatoon	25/12/pc	23/15/sh	24/11/ts	26/12/sh	27/13/pc	28/13/pc	26/11/ts
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Friday 6/18	28°C	8°C	0.0 mm
Thursday 6/17	22°C	11°C	0.0 mm
Wednesday 6/16	18°C	12°C	0.8 mm
Tuesday 6/15	21°C	8°C	0.0 mm

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Sat.	5:29 a.m./9:05 p.m.	9:27 p.m./5:25 a.m.
Sun.	5:29 a.m./9:05 p.m.	10:01 p.m./6:28 a.m.
Mon.	5:30 a.m./9:05 p.m.	10:30 p.m./7:33 a.m.
Tues.	5:30 a.m./9:05 p.m.	10:53 p.m./8:37 a.m.
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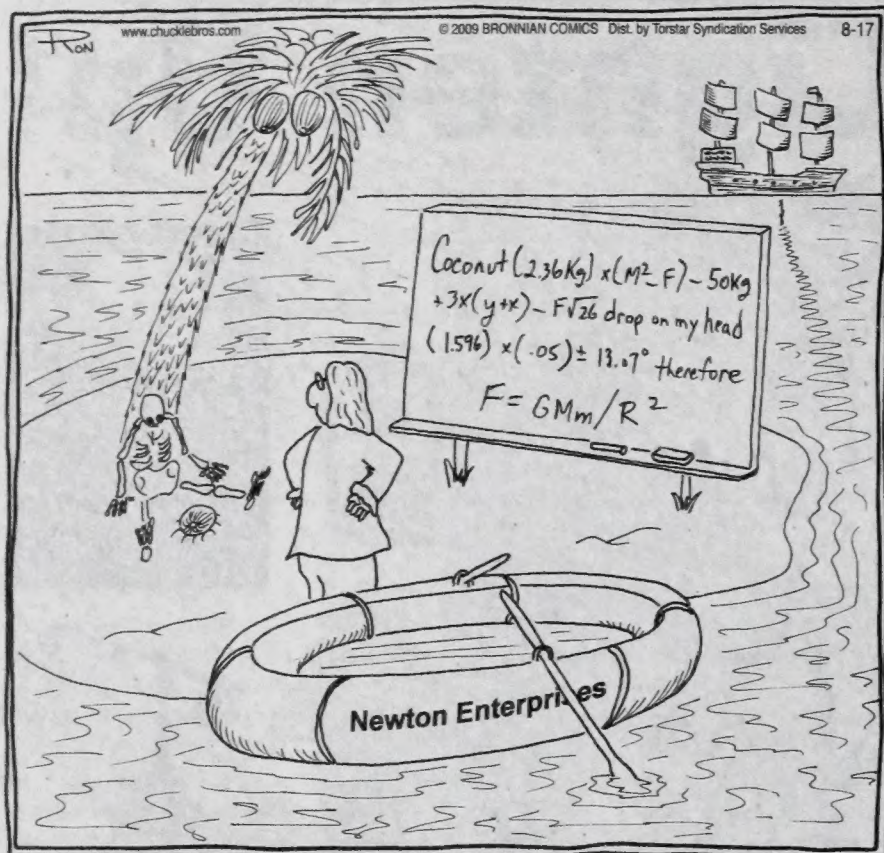
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Letter of the Week

Subsequent to the Algonquin Highlands Council meeting, the Maple Beech & Cameron Lakes Area Property Owner's Association sent the following open letter to the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario, voicing serious concerns about comments made during the meeting. The letter reads.....

Bill Bunker, Business Case Analyst
Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario

Sent by email June 22, 2010

Mr. Bunker,

We, along with other members of the public and 2 media representatives, attended the June 17th, 2010 public meeting of the Council of the Township of Algonquin Highlands, proponent of CEAR project number 09-01-46567, at which the Draft Screening Report for that project was formally presented and "next steps" were discussed.

Also present at the meeting, and presenting information and advice to council was Mr. Michael Osborne representing the Township's lead project consultant, Richardson Foster Ltd.

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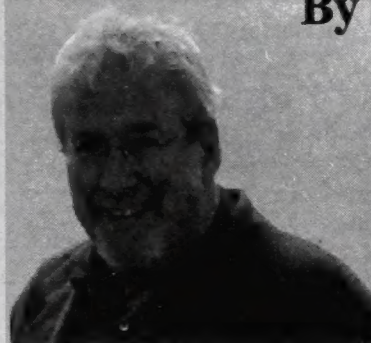
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Editorial VIEWPOINT

By Stephen Patrick



A New Chapter for the Voice

As reported on Page one of this issue, the County Voice and the Highlands Communicator will shortly be undergoing a change in management, or at least a change in management structure. The good news is that the remarkable publishing story of the Voice will continue - with no change in editorial direction or personnel.

"Remarkable?" Yes, and here's why. The first decade of the 21st century has not been kind to the newspaper and magazine industry. Publications as storied as the Rocky Mountain News, which published daily in Denver Colorado from 1859 until February of last year, bit the dust. In this country the Can West empire was in dire trouble: across the world the death knell was sounding for newspapers big and small. The information revolution has meant unprecedented Internet access to the world's great news organizations. The New York Times, the Globe and Mail, the Guardian, le Monde, and so on have all gone on line, in toto, for free. And the world, of course, was going through a terrible recession. But the Voice and the Communicator survived, with bells on. And it's not as if there wasn't any competition.

When the Voice put out its first edition in January of 2008, Haliburton County already had two weekly newspapers owned by huge corporate interests, the Communicator magazine, the Courier, based in Highlands East, and two radio stations, one "not for profit" which devoted hours to local programming, and one commercial outlet that offered significant local news and current event programming. This, in addition to the widespread availability of hardcopy versions of four big city dailies. And, of course, the Internet.

Nevertheless, Joanne and Brett Irvine, along with yours truly, believed there was room for another weekly newspaper that would cover the entire County of Haliburton. The entrepreneurial dynamism of the Irvines won over the doubters in very short order. The plan was straightforward: each municipal council and County council would be covered in depth, along with as much blanket coverage of local sports, arts, school, business, and community events as budgets and time would allow. Well, the bet paid off, which is a tribute in no small measure to the County's passion for local knowledge and to its willingness to give a new local enterprise a fighting chance. Advertisers had grown to realize how effective a vehicle our sister "good news" publication, the Communicator, had become. And they, and our readers, welcomed the Voice's eclectic mix of different writers, serious political coverage, dynamite photography by Lyn Winans, and of course the comprehensive (and accurate) coverage of local municipal affairs by Liz Danielsen.

Our local federal MP, Barry Devolin, has often remarked over the past two and half years that he still finds it hard to believe that his home town and County, which represent only a fraction of his riding's population, provides the riding's most informed and complete political coverage (and questions). Provincial MPP Rick Johnson pays extremely close attention to Haliburton County, in part because of the same media dynamic. There are hundreds of small communities across this province and country that can only dream of such coverage.

This week begins a new chapter for the Voice and the Communicator. The changes foreseen by the Irvines and Maarten Steinkamp to establish a charitable foundation that would oversee the operations of the paper will not impact our editorial direction, attitude, or principles. We started out the Voice with the vision of a populist, intelligent, politically aware, and sometimes edgy local paper that analyzed and celebrated the complex always changing tapestry that is Haliburton County. And with our readers' and advertisers' continuing support, we promise to continue to do just that. ■

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Dear Editor:

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During the open discussion of the projects' status following the release of the draft report, and in particular during exchanges with the Reeve of the Township, Mr. Osborne repeatedly attributed to you comments and opinions which, if true, show a lack of proper concern for the established processes with which you have been entrusted and a bias in favour of the project being assessed under your direction.

Mr. Osborne stated that these comments and opinions were expressed during a telephone conversation either prior to or just after the report release date of June 10th.

It was Mr. Osborne's recollection – and we must paraphrase – that it was your opinion that 'the project had already taken enough of your teams' time', that 'you expected a very rapid issuance of a positive Final Report' and that 'you simply wanted the issue closed'.

Mr. Osborne advised the council that based on his experience and the impressions he received in discussions with you, they should expect a positive Final Screening Report by the second week of July.

We recognize that you cannot be held responsible for any inaccurate statements made or mistaken impressions transmitted by a third party, so we are forwarding a copy of this letter to Mr. Osborne for comment. We feel that we must also forward our concerns to the Minister of Infrastructure and the President of the CEAA for their consideration and comment.

That you may have made such statements in conversation with a representative of the Proponent, when considered in conjunction with the very short Public Comment period announced for the Draft Report, and what are perceived as deficiencies in the Project Scoping and the report itself (these issues have been submitted under separate cover as part of the Public Comments) causes serious concern regarding the treatment of the assessment under your direction.

We would appreciate a denial of these attributions or an explanation of the apparent attitude that they convey.

Sincerely

Paul MacInnes – President

Andy Muirhead – Vice President & Research Director

Doug Palmer – Membership Chair

Maple, Beech & Cameron Lakes Area Property Owners' Association

cc's to Peter Sylvester - President CEAA, John Baird - Minister Infrastructure Canada ■

Dear Editor:

"Caution thrown to the wind by Algonquin Highlands Council: what's the rush?"

During the discussions on airport expansion matters at last week's council meeting, the Reeve revealed that she had not read the multimillion-dollar funding agreement she and the former CAO had signed with BCF in sufficient detail to know that the mandatory completion date for the project fell in the spring of 2016, and not spring of 2011.

If true, this indicates a lack of due diligence and attention to detail that borders on the negligent; If not true, then the cries of urgency regarding the potential loss of funding over the last year and a half have been a deeply cynical and unethical ploy to justify hasty and ill-considered actions and spending.

Both of these individuals have some explaining to do.

In either case, the fact is that there is absolutely no rush, from a funding point of view, to start construction of a second runway at the airport. There never was a rush, and if the Reeve and former CAO had taken the time to find that out (or...) they might have spent the last year or so actually trying to figure out how much the project will really cost in the end and how many peoples' properties will be damaged and lives affected. (In fact, they should have done this as a normal part of planning before deciding to go ahead and seek funding – there was time then, too.)

From a practical point of view, there is certainly no need for the construction of a second runway, or even the rehabilitation of the existing runway "before the snow flies", as the reeve stated was her goal numerous times during discussions.

Responding to concerns from at least one councillor about unknown costs – wouldn't it be better to know what these were before proceeding? – the Reeve admitted there were a number of unknown costs, including more lawyers, and that she was unconcerned. No solid plans exist for coming up with these inevitable cost over-runs, but money would be found...

No effort has been made to find out how many property owners will have to be compensated for damage, disturbance or risk over the life of the airport, and the Reeve can see no reason to make any effort to do so before the second runway is built and there is no choice but to pay whatever the cost may be so that it can be operated as designed.

Finding out who will be affected and by how much will take months and money; money that is not included in the shared funding.

Because no studies or designs of electrical systems for lighting have been done (or final cost estimates made) the Reeve was informed by engineering consultants that the new runway would have to operate only at daylight and that some extra costs may be involved in installing lighting and electrical systems after runway construction.

Because no obstacles would be cleared from private properties, the Reeve was informed, the runway would have a severely reduced effective useable length (possibly less than the length of the current runway) without the GPS and instrument approaches that are supposed to enhance safety and useability.

The Reeve expressed concern only in that the major construction might not be achieved "before the snow flies"

WHAT, Madame Reeve, is the rush?!

All of the measures above, and more besides, with their potentially enormous bills will need to be taken before and IF the expanded airport can be operated as intended. Now that we all know there is time to do this job properly – even if most people don't want it done at all – why not do just that?

I think it is high time for the Reeve and other hard-core expansion supporters on council to state clearly what seems so obvious after last weeks' council meeting: "Before the snow flies" means "Before there is an election."

Most of the costs mentioned above will not be known until after the final candidacy filing date, at the very earliest – possibly until well into the next councils' term. The Reeve and other councillors have stated their intentions not to stand for re-election and none of the other, sitting councillors have filed for the up-coming election.

If you are not going to be there to clean up, it is positively immoral to make the mess!

The Reeve stated long ago that the people have one opportunity to make their opinions known (she also stated that she was not prepared to go ahead with this project at just any cost...) and that was during an election: The rush seems to be only that there is a risk to the project if we, the people, will actually be given that opportunity.

YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED.

Andy Muirhead,

Shocked in Stanhope ■

Dear Editor:

"this kind of sharing just won't work."

Any suggestion that Enduro dirt bikes be permitted on the Haliburton County Rail Trail is remarkably short sighted and regressive. There is absolutely no "upside" to such an idea except to those who ride these motorcycles. A decision to allow these noisy and destructive (aggressive knobby tires and potentially high speed) vehicles on the trail will significantly reduce or completely eliminate the use of this most public of spaces by every other non-motorized user group (and perhaps even the ATVs!) There is no well managed, well used, publicly owned rail trail that I am aware of that allows these vehicles.

Be clear, this opinion is not offered as a condemnation of this activity or the OFTR; rather a caution...this kind of sharing just won't work.

Disclosure: I am a member of the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition.

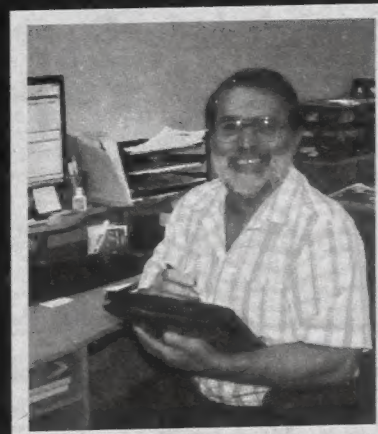
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Airport Expansion

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tender for part of the construction was awarded on April 24, 2009. Osborne said that tender was for earth works, storm water management pond, current runway rehabilitation and new runway construction only. It did not include the GPS system, runway lighting or other improvements to the airport, such as terminal building, fencing, or pavement marking, among others.

Osborne said the \$3.445-million budget should cover all of the costs, including those that have not yet been tendered. He said the price for the tendered construction is guaranteed to the end of 2010. He noted that it was generous of the contractor to guarantee that price to about a year and a half from the date it was signed.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison said she was relieved to learn that funding from higher levels of government isn't dependant on the project being completed by 2011. She had been under the impression that the project would have to be fully complete by next year to qualify for the funding that has been approved. The actual deadline for the money to be spent is May 31, 2016.

The environmental questions were addressed in the draft screening report and further concerns may be voiced by the June 25 deadline. Some time thereafter, the final report will be presented after public comments have been reviewed. The final document will have to be signed by Infrastructure Canada and the municipality before construction can begin. That will take until about the first of July. Osborne noted that communication with the environmental Assessment Review Board has been very timely, especially since the process is in such an advanced state.

In the meantime, Osborne said, the contractor will need to provide some updated documentation, such as a certificate of insurance, updated WSIB, a new performance bond and a notice of project to the Ministry of Labour. Osborne said he has notified the contractor of those obligations and has been informed that everything should be updated by July 1.

The municipality had originally planned to start the rehabilitation of the existing runway last fall but unfavourable weather resulted in the work being postponed. In addition, a waiver was signed pending the outcome of the environmental assessment. Harrison said the reason for the waiver was because the municipality had no way of knowing whether or not the environmental assessment would allow the construction of the proposed new runway. She said the municipality didn't want to make a commitment only to find out the new runway couldn't be built because of environmental concerns or that it would be prohibitively expensive to meet the terms of environmental restrictions.

Because of the uncertainty about approval, Harrison said, "We were very nervous about signing the full contract at that time because we were worried about the environmental review." The contractor had indicated that awarding the full contract would help guarantee there would be no increase in price.

Approval from the Ministry of Environment regarding the storm water management system may take up to eight weeks. But Osborne said construction can get under way without that approval. He said the plan will be submitted right away. He said the construction engineers are aware of the standards and any adjustments requested by the MOE are generally minor in nature. A request for the proposal for runway lighting will also be submitted. That is expected to take six to eight weeks.

Once all the permits have been acquired and the documents have been signed by the appropriate agencies, the next step would be tree clearing. Osborne recommended tree cutting be started at the south end or the proposed new runway. "There is an archaeological stage two study that has to be done down there that's identified in the engineering report," he said. "That would be done once the trees are cut down but before the stumps or the topsoil are removed. They need to do their testing using the original topsoil." Osborne explained that 30 centimetre diameter holes will be dug in a grid of five metres. The cost for the archaeological study is expected to be \$15,000. The cost to design the GPS system is expected to be \$25,000.

The tree clearing is scheduled to begin after July 15. That date has been set to allow any nesting birds to complete that cycle for the 2010 season. Councillor Carol Moffatt asked if the tree cutting

contractor would get the timber as part of the contract. Osborne said that he thought the low price that was tendered was because the contractor would keep the timber.

Moffatt also asked where the money would come from to pay for those items that haven't been included in the original tenders, such as the GPS system, aerial easements, appraisals, lawyers' fees and others. "Will they be tacked onto the line of credit," she asked? Harrison suggested the municipality would still have to come up with its share of cost, which would be one third of the total.

Any pre-construction meetings with the contractor will be done while they are waiting for the permits and approvals from various ministries and government agencies.

Negotiations with adjacent landowners for aerial easements will resume now that the municipality is reasonably sure the environmental assessment will permit the construction. Harrison said the aerial easements will not affect construction because the threshold can be adjusted regarding the take-off and landing zone. The easements will be required so some tree cutting and topping can be done to enhance the safety zone for aircraft approaching and departing the runway.

Shortreed said he was concerned about the closure of the airport while construction is under way. He said his concerns centered on the use of the airport by the MNR for fire suppression and other emergency uses. Osborne said other arrangements will be made to accommodate those emergency uses.

Council members agreed that the full cost of the project needs to be established so the municipality will know what its share will be. Some surplus land will be listed for sale to help pay for the project. Proceeds from the land sale would be applied to the line of credit. It was also noted that some interest has been expressed by individuals who would like to purchase commercial space at the airport. That could be another source of revenue for the project.

Although there is no guarantee that opponents will not be able to find some way of derailing the project, Osborne said, "I don't think there will be anything that would bring it to a grinding halt."

Haliburton Language School Established – First Business Incubator Client Selected

The Haliburton Creative Business Incubator is pleased to welcome The Haliburton Language School, owned and operated by Karra Wesley as a client of the incubation program.

The Haliburton Language School provides English as a Second Language programs for people of all ages and at all levels as well as foreign language instruction for people requiring language proficiency for travel or business.

The Haliburton Language School offers packages from three days to a month for international tourists, students and business groups. The program involves part of each day involved in language lessons and the rest of the day using new language skills in experiencing outdoor and cultural activities in the region. The School is working with the Bark Lake Leadership Centre and Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve as well as other accommodators and experience providers in the Haliburton Highlands.

Haliburton Language School will also provide foreign language lessons for people in the Haliburton region and provides specialized programs for clients such as the RCMP and the Canada Revenue Agency.

The School will use its space in the Incubator for its office and for individual and small group language lessons. Work with visiting groups will be done at sites throughout the Highlands.

Wesley has taught in Japan, Korea and Indonesia and has run a number of special language projects in Canada. Karra and her husband recently moved to the Haliburton area. She is delighted to be the first business in the Haliburton Creative Business Incubator.

The Haliburton Creative Business Incubator is a program of the Haliburton County Development Corporation. By offering expertise, guidance and support, the incubation program is dedicated to providing a sustainable environment in which new and emerging companies can develop and achieve growth.

This type of environment will result in profitable businesses, job creation, economic growth, diversity, and a positive impact on communities in Haliburton County.

The incubator provides flexible, affordable space and mentorship for four new and emerging knowledge-based businesses in a central location in the Village of Haliburton. Spaces are available and applications are welcomed. For more information and an application go to: www.haliburtoncdc.ca/creative-business-incubator/about-our-incubator.html

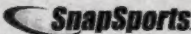
The incubator will provide entrepreneurs with a flexible, affordable space; ready access to business support assistance and coaching, broadband service and an environment conducive to entrepreneurial growth.

The facility (the newly renovated old Haliburton library building in downtown Haliburton) has been made possible through the support of the Ontario Trillium Foundation, the Eastern Ontario Development Program, the Municipality of Dysart et al and the Haliburton County Development Corporation. ■

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CEWF Speaks with Trent-Severn Waterway Officials

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are learning, there are a lot of voices coming from the flow-through lakes that are running dry along with the reservoir lakes and rising concerns about how low levels will be in the fall."

When asked if the number of concerns being raised might precipitate a different approach, Riddle said that their focus remains on maintaining designated navigational levels on the canal and nothing that was said suggested that they would 'share the pain' to any significant degree, particularly in terms of adjusting navigational draft limits.

Riddle said, "As we understand things, the Superintendent is the person who has the authority to change that navigational depth. That is written in the canal regulations which are their guiding documents, but they seem very reluctant to go that route."

As an aside, Riddle commented that Bronson is fairly new to her role and is still learning the ropes, but he also said, "It's all about their culture; their mandate is to operate the canal and even though the panel report (on the future of the Trent-Severn Waterway) clearly recognizes that the canal and the watershed need to be managed on different levels, they are behaving as if they have not received that message."

Riddle argues that their current mandate has actually changed. To make matters worse, existing resources are insufficient to even manage the canal. "If we have a beef, it's not so much with the Parks Canada folks themselves because they are doing exactly what they are supposed to do with what they have been given. The government needs to more broadly recognize the panel's report and implement the recommendations more fully."

In response to a question on whether the newly appointed Advisory Council, on which Riddle and Haliburton's Keith Hodgson are members, will be able to influence the TSW, Riddle said, "We have to accept that it is a slow process." But he also acknowledged that some progress is being made, albeit slowly. "There is an increasing recognition of the need to look at the watershed as a whole," Riddle said, adding that so far many of the TSW's actions are made in hindsight with an impact to the reservoir and flow through lakes and none to the canal.

Riddle said that the CEWF group raised three general issues at the meeting; the first in response to the fact that despite last year being a wet year, the TSW pulled water from the lakes even though it wasn't needed for the canal.

"We asked them to consider the timing of the drawdown. We asked them, as part of the ongoing water management study, to look at each of the lakes and consider how far they are drawn down. The drawdown is all part of their standard operating procedure and clearly this year levels were set too low to allow the lakes to fill up given the dry spring. We think there may be an opportunity to revisit what those levels are."

Riddle said that the third thing that the CEWF members recommended actually got a response. According to Riddle, the TSW appears to lack specific data on individual lakes as to the point at which real problems are encountered when water levels go down. Things like water access and at what point access on a given lake for water access only properties becomes a problem or when people who take their drinking water from a shallow bay start to suck air rather than water. Riddle said that the TSW officials are seeking the help of the CEWF to gather this information.

"We also suggested that the TSW recognize summer holding levels beyond which they will not go; at least while people are in residence at their cottages and they recognized that there might be some merit in that. They are willing to have us look into it and make some specific suggestions."

When it came to flow through lakes and the problems being encountered in places like Maple Lake, Riddle said that they pointed out their understanding that Maple

Lake had a dam at one time and if reinstalled it would help to keep a minimum level in the lake. But the response was that Parks Canada has no record of installing or removing a dam on Maple Lake and had no budget for any new infrastructure.

In response to a number of complaints by Shadow Lake residents, another lake that has been similarly affected, the TSW has released documents, which according to Riddle, basically acknowledges that they simply ran out of water. However, at the moment he says they have no clear plan to do anything about it.

In fact, the document issued for the Haliburton area speaks to the fact that the TSW did not recognize that there were profoundly different conditions from the norm until as late as April. The documents suggested that these conditions made filling the reservoir lakes, particularly on the Gull River system, extremely difficult. They advised that they will be taking steps to overfill the Kawartha Lakes as much as possible to minimize the likelihood that water from the reservoir lakes will be required in the near term, to utilize water first from lakes that are at higher storage percentages, to conserve water as much as possible throughout the season and consider carrying water levels on the navigable corridor at the lower end of navigation ranges and to accelerate the installation of additional automatic gauge stations as part of their ongoing action plan.

Referring to the recent release, Riddle said, "One thing they obviously recognize is the need to communicate better. But they have not recognized the need to change their behaviour."

Riddle said that Parks Canada will be hiring someone to work on their website communications and they have asked for input to allow them to present more detailed water level information on the site. "Obviously, flow through lake information will be helpful as there is a lot of detail missing."

Another thing that the TSW has agreed to do is to continue to send weekly water level forecast information to the CEWF. "Each Monday they look at the

system, make decisions about logs to be pulled based on expected rainfalls and current lake levels and they produce a two week forecast. People have found this information to be extremely valuable, particularly in September as it gives them a message about what to do with their dock."

One area of real concern relates to long term infrastructure work and capital spending. Riddle said, "Parks Canada have done quite a few things with stimulus money, including a number of dam improvements and replacing all of the logs in the system, a project that will be completed by the end of this calendar year." Riddle said that the work is about 75 percent complete, but completion will likely be put on hold until the fall.

"Typically they operate on a five year capital plan and our real concern is that they will go back to pre-2005 levels. Currently they are projecting expenditures between 3 and 4 million dollars, whereas the panel report advises a minimum estimate of \$30

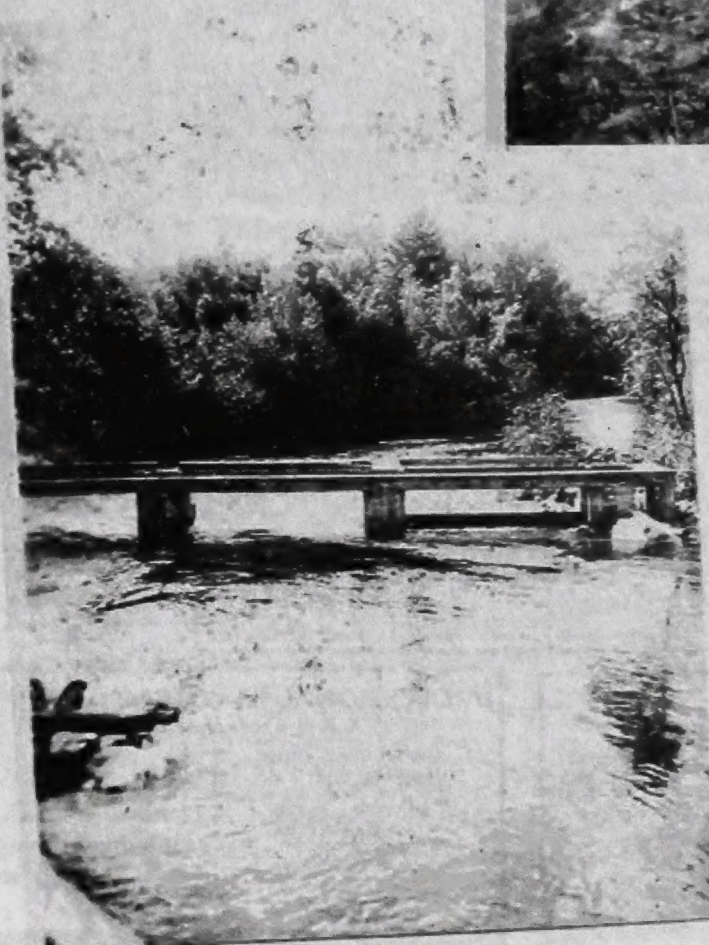
million. There is a huge disconnect between the money being put into maintaining the system and what had been estimated as required."

According to Riddle, Bronson provided a breakdown of their capital plan by year, but her only comment was that clearly there are some pressures and that future funding will be allocated on a risk management basis. Riddle said that will make them reactive rather than proactive, which to him was a very scary thought.

Meanwhile, Riddle says that the CEWF's strategy is to stay engaged. "Clearly some decisions that need to be made are made elsewhere, but there are some things that we can discuss that will be of major interest and we will continue to do exactly that." ■

Top Left - Irene Dawson (at 21 years old) posing in front of the Maple Lake Dam & Bridge

Above and left - The Maple Lake dam in August of 1940. While there is general agreement by local families that homesteaded in the area that the dam was demolished around 1950, there appears to be no documentation on the dam and it is unknown at this time who installed or removed it. (Picture provided as a courtesy by Bob Davis and Eddie Lehman)



ASES Prepares for Summer Break



Archie Stouffer Students enjoy "Fun-day"

Archie Stouffer students enjoyed their annual fun track and field day last Friday.

Although many traditional track and field competitions are included, less conventional events such as ball-throw and the limbo add to the amusement. While the older students were on the track, the young ones were atop the hill with blankets in hand, having a teddy-bear picnic. The day's events are intended to encourage participation and fun rather than focusing solely on competition. ■



There was plenty of jumping, throwing and pedaling going on last Wednesday evening in Minden when Archie Stouffer Elementary School hosted its 3rd annual spring carnival on June 16th. Games, face painting and pizza kept students and visitors entertained and challenged.

School staff and volunteers manned the game booths, and some brave souls even became targets for the infamous wet sponge brigade. Funds from the carnival will be used to provide ASES students access to special programs and equipment.

On the following Friday, the intermediate students (grades 7-8) took to the Minden baseball diamonds for their 23rd annual 3-pitch tournament. In this modified version of softball, the pitcher is required to throw three pitches to his or her own team which enables more hitting and action on the field. All players are involved and everyone gets to improve his or her skills. Teams are comprised of classes, a formula that provides end-of-the-year cohesion and some good friendly rivalry. The intermediate awards assembly and kindergarten graduations took place on the 21st and 22nd, and with only a few school days remaining, the anticipation of, and preparation for next week's grade 8 graduation and year-end class parties is in high gear. And then there are those end-of-term report cards! ■



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Lights On For Au Garcon

By Courtney Griffin

How many times have you been in a restaurant; your food arrives, your server leaves, and then you realize that you forgot to ask for something then you have to wait for the server to return, or your server asks, in the middle of your personal conversation, if you need anything else? Have you ever wanted to order another drink, appetizer or dessert and not been able to get the attention of a server so you just pass on it? Have you ever finished your meal and want to get your bill so you can leave and no one comes back to your table for a long time so you have to sit and wait for your bill? Do you hate having to wave at a waitress or yell "excuse me" across the floor to get a servers attention? What if all that could go away permanently? Well, Brett and Joanne Irvine have invented a product for restaurants called Au Garcon; something to put an end to these common dining problems.

What they have created is a plastic wine bottle that has a button to press on the custom cap to turn on a light. When the light is on, a server is needed at the table, when the light is off, the customers are not in need. The bottles are available two ways: a blinking light for brighter restaurants, and a glowing light for restaurants with a more intimate vibe. Each restaurant that offers the service will have an Au Garcon bottle on each table (with their logo and any advertising on it). How did this idea come to fruition?

One evening, while out for dinner in the early months of 2010, Brett found that his food was spicy and he needed another drink – now! He had trouble, as some people do, flagging down their server for another beverage, and said to Joanne, "there should be a light or something on the wall we can turn on so that they know we need service." And that's how it all began.

One simple statement, which started as a bit of a joke, Brett turned to Joanne, smiling a bit and saying "that's not a bad idea..." to the husband saying "yeah, I know..." to the couple going home and making it happen immediately.

When the Irvines got home that evening, the couple toyed with different ideas for what they could place a light on. A stick? No, that would look out of place on a table. A box maybe? Or perhaps a napkin dispenser? No, they thought, whatever it is will have to blend in with the table or else restaurants won't like it. So, they turned down all these ideas and went to bed. But, by the time they got up the next day, Brett had an idea.

"I'll never forget my reaction when Brett showed me his idea the next morning," said Joanne. "He turned a paper around which had a sketch of a wine bottle, with these little lines out from the top, indicating a blinking light."

Within a week of this conversation, the Irvine's were on their way to a creating a working prototype. One prototype of Au Garcon took the creator a week to build, all of it done by hand, with different wirings and configurations being tested. Each Au Garcon cost the Irvine's \$900, and in order to go to trade shows to test the market, they needed at least five.

"We had to sink almost \$5000 just in prototypes," said Brett. But the Irvine's knew this was a great idea. They had searched everywhere to see if this idea had been done before and were shocked to find nobody had ever thought of it. Before they had it patented, they weren't allowed to talk about their invention to anyone, not even their family. "We were running around like a couple of excited kids, and we couldn't tell anyone why!" said Brett. Once they had the go-ahead from their lawyer and everything was patented, they were permitted to tell the world, and tell the world they did.

First, they went to a Toronto trade show to introduce their product, and to see if other people would think it was as great of an idea as they did. "The response was unbelievable, so overwhelming," said Joanne, while Brett added, "I guarantee 99.9% of the 5000 people at the show said they loved the idea and that it was a such great idea; there were many exclamations of 'why didn't I think of this? Brilliant! So simple and that's why it is so intelligent! I can't believe nobody has thought of this yet!'"

After the Toronto show, they knew they were on to something which was bigger than they first imagined. They attended trade shows in Halifax, Vancouver and Chicago, and are scheduled to appear in Los Angeles, California, Orlando, Florida, Paris, France, and also in England over the next few months.

Their product, Au Garcon, is already in high demand. Businesses of all types are clamouring to get at it from the Caribbean, Australia, Europe, Mexico, Canada and many places in the United States. A couple of huge chain restaurants are looking further into the idea, as are racetracks, catering businesses, comedy clubs, and restaurants everywhere.

Au Garcon is an idea that is sure to go global. The thing about this product is that there is no language barrier; if the light is on, then service is needed, but if the light is off, no service is necessary. This simple idea will help both servers and customers in any restaurant. Servers will not need to tend to tables where there is no light, thereby becoming more efficient servers. For customers, they will not be interrupted during their meals and conversations unless they have indicated a need for a server.

To put it in Joanne's words, "It is a non-offensive, polite way to gain the attention of a server if needed. At the same time, it allows your attention to stay on the person you are dining with. We're not saying restaurant service is bad but nobody can determine the exact moment when a patron is going to need something." The idea is that it allows restaurants to improve their customer service, even if it's already great.

Brett and Joanne tell the story of the funniest thing to happen to them at a trade show: While in Vancouver, a man, owner of Restaurant X, said that his restaurant service was amazing and he would never need Au Garcon to help his servers. Not 15 minutes after he left, a

couple came by to hear the Au Garcon pitch. They proceeded to explain that Au Garcon would have been oh-so-useful a couple of nights before when they needed a server to assist them as they dined at Restaurant X in Vancouver. This goes to show that even the best restaurants sometimes need a little aid in service.

Restaurants with table service should at least consider the idea of Au Garcon, as it will certainly be an addition to any dining area. The wine bottles are very attractive, customizable in colour, shape and logo stickers and are therefore suitable for a

number of locales. When a customer is trying to attract the attention of a server, they are often trying to buy something else, or let the staff know something is wrong – Au Garcon will make for many more happy dining experiences, and more return visits.

One restaurant owner at a show said that the planned selling price of Au Garcon is less than he pays for his table centrepieces and, well, centrepieces don't help his service at all. Having Au Garcon in any restaurant can, "give you an edge over your competition if they don't have the product," said Joanne. Door stickers are available for restaurants that offer the Au Garcon service.

Au Garcon, which just got off the ground this year, is already soaring high in global awareness. "It's overwhelming. We knew it was a great idea, but the shows put it into perspective that this little bottle was going global," said Brett. Joanne added, "It's been fun travelling for these shows, but in one week we went to five different time zones. It will be interesting to see what happens when we start travelling overseas [this fall]."

It's hard to imagine that Brett and Joanne already have global interest in their product when they're still working with a prototype. They are set to receive their actual products within the next month, and it is sure to expand from there. Their manufacturer is preparing his plant for Au Garcon, and has already told his company that this will probably be the biggest thing they'll ever produce.

And talk about world wide, a distributor from Saudi Arabia has already approached the Irvines about purchasing the product. That in itself might not be strange, but the fact that Au Garcon is a wine bottle, and it is for the most part impermissible to drink alcohol in Saudi Arabia, is certainly shocking, but displays the already international reputation of this bottle.

Joanne and Brett have always been entrepreneurial, beginning the Highlands Communicator nine years ago and the County Voice two and a half years ago. "We're set to embark on this journey now", says Brett. "We're a little scared, yet confident. I guess you always are when you start something so new. The Au Garcon business will be run from our office in Haliburton and we will

maintain warehouse space in the area. We're not moving from the area as we love it here." The Irvines also expect

more local jobs to be created from the new business.

To find out more about Au Garcon you can see their website www.au-garcon.com. Distributors and sales agents in Ontario are still needed if you would like to enquire about selling the product. ■

Pictured above - It's easy to use. Push the light on - you need service. Light off - service not required. Centre is Bonnie and Mike Henshall demonstrating how to use the product in a restaurant. Pictured top is Joanne and Brett Irvine holding the prototypes of their new product.



Graham Parkinson Steps Down to Step Up

Kashagawigamog Lake Plan will take priority over next three years

By Seamus O'Bradaigh

Graham Parkinson is not running out on the Lake Kashagawigamog Organization (LKO). But he may be running out of hats.

The webmaster, board member, and president announced last Saturday that he will be stepping down as LKO president.

However, he may be taking a step from the wok to the fire as he prepares to take up new duties as the chief architect in charge of drawing up the inaugural Kashagawigamog lake plan.

Close to 100 homeowners and cottagers gathered at the Northern Lights Pavilion Saturday morning (June 19) for their Annual General Meeting.

They listened with interest as Parkinson succinctly put forth his plan, a three year plan that will be an enormous undertaking.

The rest of the board will announce a new president at a later date and Parkinson has already begun significant studies into the entrenchment of the lake plan.

"This is a large undertaking and we'll need a high level of participation," says Parkinson. "It will take thousands of hours, but it is of value."

He adds that the official plans of Dysart, Minden Hills and the county will all have to come into play as the LKO prepares its own lake planning document.

He explains that while costly - about \$14,600 outlay for prep, study, research and compilation - he says that current reserves in the LKO account total close to \$28,000.

Parkinson says that the Lake Plan funding estimates a \$5,000 expenditure in 2010, \$4,500 in 2011 and \$5,100 in 2012.

The Lake Plan is a three year project," says Parkinson. "We have dedicated \$14,600 as the total proposed money dedicated to our Lake Plan through 2012."

Parkinson says that he and board member and Lake Steward Rob Davis have already begun the introductory planning and are continuing to make progress using templates available through FOCA (Federation of Ontario Cottage Associations) and with some assistance from Lake Kennis property owners who have already put together their own lake plan.

Davis gave his own comprehensive overview of lakeshore preservation, based on his ongoing work with shoreline studies as part of the extraordinarily successful Shoreline Advisor Program run through the Lakeland Alliance.

When he's not out performing his board duties as the LKO steward, he's out doing detailed property management analyses on shorelines all over the Highlands.

The Alliance is supporting its partners in shoreline stewardship and freshwater conservation by providing a one-on-one site visit program to lake associations interested in raising awareness amongst individual property owners about shared concerns for the ecosystem health of their lake.

At the invitation of the owner, a qualified Shoreline Advisor is lead on a tour of the property providing advice and guidance pertaining to shoreline naturalization, erosion mitigation, best management practices for septic systems, pollution prevention, invasive species and fish and wildlife habitat enhancement.

As Davis says via the alliance website lakeland.greenup.on.ca, "It is up to the discretion of the property owner as to what aspects of their site is addressed by the Advisor. At the end of the visit the Advisor provides a list of recommendations, a resource kit containing information on topics covered during the visit, and a list of local service providers to help them take action."

His experience in the shoreline development program has proved invaluable to the LKO as they move forward to year one in the Lake Plan process.

Davis is constantly on the road and also attends numerous conferences detailing shoreline preservation and best practice for development.

"Trees and shores are priceless," Davis tells the audience at Northern Lights. It's important that we protect the shoreline and the water."

He added that in anticipation of the lake plan process, which received approval, he has accessed a "step by step book here that can act as lake plan template."

He says that by following already embedded templates and paradigms, Parkinson and the Lake Plan committee will be able to save tens of thousands of dollars.

The LKO were greeted by opening remarks from Minden Hills Reeve Jim McMahon and Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey, who both cited a need for all residents to assert some discretion when it comes to landfill use.

Fearrey and McMahon both said that the Dysart and Minden Hills landfills are both nearing capacity. Fearrey said that alternatives will have to be accessed for disposal in the very near future.

McMahon said that there is a growing preponderance of demolition materials from cottage and housing tear downs that are putting an extraordinary and unprecedented strain on the landfills.

Fearrey agreed that drywall, wood, and housing byproducts are putting an unnecessary strain on Dysart's dump.

"Our landfill is filling up," says Fearrey. "If you consider what you're dumping, we can save a lot of money and a lot of space."

McMahon says: "We're having problem with our landfill site. Two full houses showed up last week. We never used to get stuff like this in the past."

In the question period that followed Fearrey told the LKO that the much anticipated skateboard park in head Lake Park is now back on track after a delay to clear up some outstanding problems caused by an old municipal oil dump.

In some surprising news, McMahon, when questioned about the plans for a Canadian Tire in Minden said that the latest correspondence indicated that the project was undergoing some scrutiny by the honchos at Canadian Tire.

"Canadian Tire is a hot topic and we emailed them," says McMahon. "Canadian Tire says Minden is under review and will be up for discussion in the upcoming week."

However McMahon adds, "They haven't said they're not coming."

In other business Parkinson says that long time secretary Anne Nickson will be stepping down from her board duties.

Newcomers Marg Cox and Cathy Loftgreen let their names stand for election to the board and were elected unanimously.

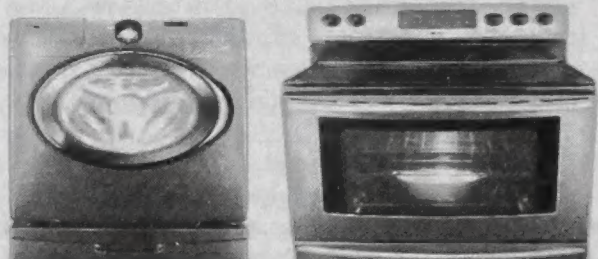
The annual LKO Regatta is slated for Saturday, July 10 at Halimar Resort from 1-4 pm.

Environment Day is scheduled on Saturday, August 14 at Bryson's Marine. ■

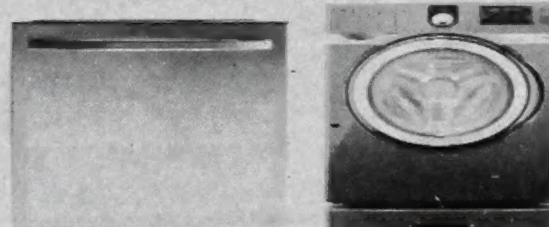
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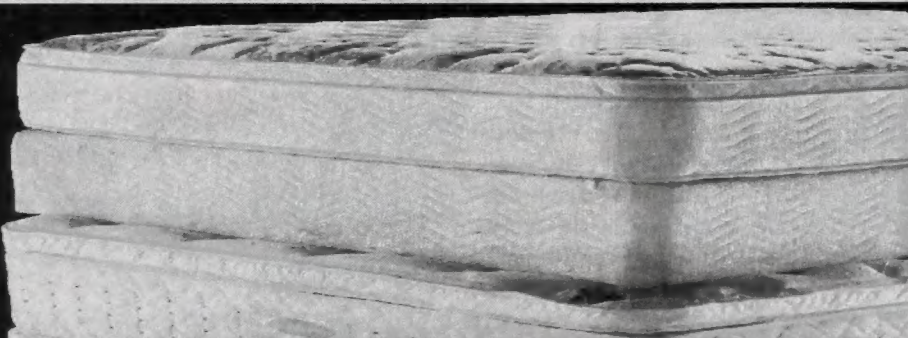


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Dysart Municipal Summary

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

Fearrey in for the Long Haul

At the Dysart et al Council meeting Monday, June 14th, Reeve Murray Fearrey had some opening comments to clarify his intentions about his candidacy in the upcoming election. Fearrey referred to comments that he had heard on the street that he had been supporting individual candidates over others and rumours that it was his intention to withdraw midterm if he is successful in becoming the Reeve once more, thereby paving the way for individual candidates to succeed him.

"I want to be clear," he said in an effort to quell further rumours, "while I do support all of the candidates in their efforts on behalf of the municipality, I do not offer that support to one candidate over another. In addition, I want everyone to know that I am in this for the long haul. I have absolutely no intention of withdrawing from my responsibilities at any point in my next term should I be successful, for any reason other than serious illness or family problems."

Official Plan Adopted

Dysart et al's Official Plan Amendment No. 8 has now officially been adopted by Council and has one more hurdle to meet before becoming law. As a result of comments and discussions held at the open house in May and the subsequent public meeting on June 7th, the committee recommended three changes to the draft document that was brought forward.

The OP now includes clarification that development will be permitted on roads created as common element condominiums and maintained by a condominium corporation.

Docks and water access facilities will now be referred to as 'marine facilities.' This is being done to ensure consistent terminology between the OP and the municipality's zoning by-law and does not change the intent of the policies involved.

Finally, when it comes to shoreline sheds, the 15 percent slope will be measured over a setback distance of 30 metres on all lots. Older lots on Percy Lake are zoned to require a 20 metre water setback, but new lots will require a 30 metre water setback.

The OP project has continued to be on schedule throughout the process and has now been forwarded to the County of Haliburton for final approval, which is expected to take place this week.

Cottage Association Asks Municipality to Assume Road

Ken Morrison, President of the Miskwabinish Lake North Cottage Association approached the Council at their last meeting with a request for agreement in principal to assume a portion of Trappers Trail Road, Major Trail Road and Sagamore Trail Road in the Plan 636 development.

Morrison reviewed the history of development of the MLNCA area as well as the development and use of the roads being discussed. He also detailed the challenges faced by the association including the fact that the association does not have the infrastructure or legal mechanisms prudent for road management and to provide a service that the owners deserve; that being to manage the roads, maintain records and collect the necessary funds to maintain them, particularly when it comes to the needs from time to time of emergency services.

Morrison asked the Council to consider assuming all of the roads if and when they are brought up to a standard acceptable to the municipality and to work with the association to provide advice on work required to bring them to that standard, establish a plan and schedule to achieve assumption of the roads, assist the association with collection of outstanding related costs from area property owners served by the road and help the association seek funding to bring the roads to municipal standards.

Morrison advised Council that they had started to collect additional funds from the residents several years ago in anticipation of making improvements, but they were seeking some commitment from Council prior to going further.

Reeve Fearrey told Morrison that while the Council wanted to work with everyone, there are hundreds of similar situations throughout the municipality. "Most road associations seem to work, but there are often problems with full time residents. Some associations collect different rates from people that aren't there full time."

Fearrey said that in his time, the Council had never turned down a request if the roads were brought to municipal standards and acknowledged that if the Council didn't agree, the association would have wasted a lot of money. "But for us to commit to infrastructure money it would be a stretch as we have to use those funds in places that have been identified as a problem, like bridges."

Fearrey also asked if the association had any teeth at all in their

road agreement, and Morrison acknowledged that they had little power other than moral persuasion.

After further general discussion, Fearrey said, "I cannot speak for Council and it will be changing soon." He suggested that the association continue methodically working on the matter and that it might be better to work on one section of road at a time. He said, "We will work with you to resolve things as best we can, but we cannot make any promises or guarantees at this time."

It was generally agreed by Council that the municipality would continue to work with the association on an ongoing basis to the greatest extent possible.

Health Unit Relinquishes Responsibility for Water Sampling

Council reviewed a letter from the Environmental Health Department of Haliburton, Kawartha, and Pine Ridge District Health Unit which basically advised that the Health Unit would no longer be taking water samples at Haliburton Lake West Bay, Haliburton Rotary Beach and Silver Lake Beach in Dysart et al.

The letter advised that the decision was based on recent risk assessments as well as historical data collected and recommended that the beaches be posted 'Swim at your own Risk.'

Fearrey said, "This is a bit of a shocker." He voiced particular concern about Rotary Beach.

CAO Tammy McKelvey said, "It all comes down to liability and they just relinquished theirs." Fearrey directed that signs be installed.

Cottagers and residents are advised that drinking water samples can be taken into the Health Unit for testing at no cost, but should beach water samples be required individuals will have to pay to have samples tested at area laboratories.

Solar Power & LED Lights May be the Future for Dysart

The Clean Development Group's CEO Scott Phipps then introduced recommendations for the installation of clean energy systems throughout the municipality. Through funding made available by the Haliburton County Development Corporation, Phipps was hired to do a feasibility study on alternate sources of energy and his bottom line appears to be the installation of LED lights for energy savings and photo voltaic energy for power generation.

In a power point presentation, Phipps isolated solar electric, solar thermal (water) and wind power as fundamental renewable energy sources in the area. "In a nutshell, wind power isn't feasible. Wind readings in the area aren't good and the capital costs are considerable," he said.

"Wind and water are sensitive and require a lot of permits," he said, adding that after doing readings in the area and prospecting and flagging areas known for wind, in his estimation wind power would only prove to be good in smaller applications.

"Solar power isn't as placement sensitive and is more effective in colder climates and solar radiation levels are higher here due to the elevation and lack of pollution."

Phipps went into considerable detail but in essence advised that solar installations, although costing as much as \$1.75 million dollars could generate over \$250,000 a year which indicated some real payback for the municipality over the long haul.

Phipps also suggested that capital outlay costs are reducing rapidly but even before a solar power installation he suggested that to make significant energy savings LED street lights would make a huge difference, saving a quarter million dollars over the life of the lights.

Phipps reviewed the benefits of LED lighting saying, "From

an energy saving perspective I am absolutely impressed with LED lighting. It is very promising, is completely recyclable, long lasting and healthier, doesn't attract mosquitoes or bugs, is more rugged and operates in extreme temperatures and is even better for security and police as no shadows are created."

For the long haul, however, Phipps recommended that photo voltaic (or solar power) as the way for the municipality to go for generating power. He suggested that time was of the essence as government funding for installations may no longer be available in the near future.

At Phipps suggestion, Council agreed that the next step would be to establish a committee to review his report and make some recommendations for moving forward. ■

Time For a Change

Submitted by HKPR

Postcard Campaign Provides Facts and Financial Incentives To Replace Expired Child Car Seats –

Unlike souvenir postcards that depict landmarks and exotic locations, a version being distributed in Haliburton County drives home an important message to parents about car seat safety.

Hundreds of 'Car Seat Safety' postcards will be available at locations throughout Haliburton County this summer. The postcards, and accompanying posters, encourage local residents to ensure their child car seats and booster seats are safe and have not expired. The postcards also provide discounts for people who want to purchase new child car seats at local retailers – Stedmans V&S Department Store in Haliburton and the Sears stores in Minden and Haliburton. The coupons are valid until the end of 2010.

"Lives are at stake if people use out-of-date and damaged car seats and booster seats for their babies and children because these seats do not provide adequate protection in a motor vehicle collision," says Julie Goodwin, a member of the Early Intervention Network of Haliburton County, the community coalition that is handing out the postcards.

Child car seats come with expiry dates because, with wear and tear, they no longer provide suitable protection. Car seats involved in a previous collision could be damaged and should also be replaced.

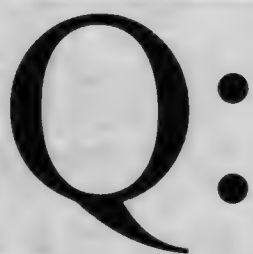
"In raising this point with parents and caregivers, we wanted to provide a discount to replace unsafe car seats with new ones purchased locally, and that is why the coupons are included on the postcards," Goodwin adds.

The postcards also provide tips on the proper use of child car seats, and outline the type of car seats or booster seats that should be used, depending on a child's age.

Copies of the postcards are available at member agencies involved in the Early Intervention Network of Haliburton County. These include: the Highlands Community Pregnancy Care Centre; Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit; SIRCH Community Services; Point in Time Centre For Children, Youth and Parents; Ontario Early Years Centre; Midwifery Services of Haliburton-Bancroft; Five Counties Children's Centre; and Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team.

For more information on general car seat safety, call the Health Unit at 1(866)888-4577 or visit www.hkpr.on.ca under 'What's New.' ■

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Wetlands, including marshes, swamps, bogs and fens, are of great importance to our health, economy, and our planet as a whole. Can you list at least three services that wetlands provide?

See page 22 for Answer

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Community OPP Officer Mark McMaster Hands over the Reins

Constable Sandy Adams accepts
"This Wonderful Challenge."

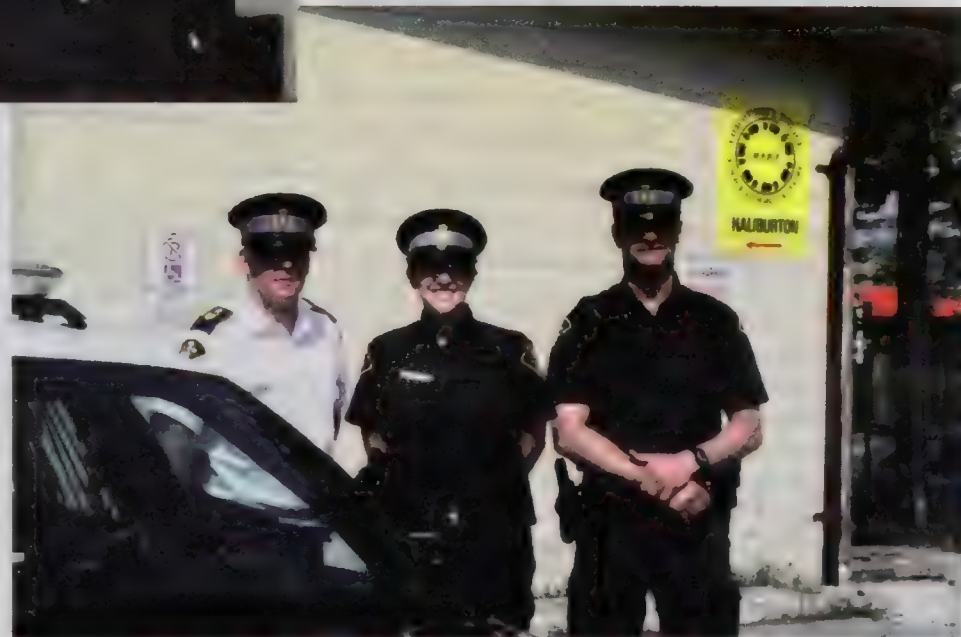
For the past eight years OPP Constable Mark McMaster has been Haliburton's Community Service Officer and during that time has endeared himself, and the entire Minden OPP detachment, to hundreds of Haliburton's Grade Six students. McMaster has conducted the ever-popular D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program in the County's elementary schools during that time, and students, teachers and principals alike were happy to praise his important impact on so many children's lives.

"Constable McMaster has been a great role model and teacher for so many of our students," said J. Douglas Hodgson Principal Traci Hubbert. "We all thank him for his work, his sense of humour, and his respect for the students."

Mark McMaster is just one year away from retirement, having joined the Toronto Metro Police in 1981 before moving to Haliburton with his wife Jan in 1989. "That was the best move I've ever made -- Jan and our family have just loved it here, it's a great place to live. It's been a real privilege to serve this community, and to be a part of it. I've loved working with the kids, and being the Community Service Officer, but I know the program will be in great hands with Constable Sandy Adams."

Constable Adams is a 16 year OPP veteran who joined the force in St. Thomas after a career as a nurse and a paramedic. "I joined the OPP because I really wanted to make people's lives better, to help people in any way I could." In 1996 she and her husband, Constable Rob Adams, moved to Haliburton when she joined the Coboconk OPP detachment before transferring to Minden in 1998. She was a plains clothes officer for 12 years in the crime unit. "This is a good change for me, and a wonderful challenge -- although Mark's left some very big shoes to fill."

In a separate ceremony last week Dysart Deputy Reeve Bill Davis presented OPP Staff Sergeant Malcolm Quigley with the keys to the new OPP Community Policing Office in the old Dysart Library opposite the Legion in Haliburton. Quigley says he's delighted that the OPP will have a greater visibility in Haliburton Village. The new office will give officers enhanced computer access as well as a convenient space for interviews and investigations. ■



Above Left: Constable Mark McMaster. Top Right: Constable Sandy Adams. Above: Staff Sergeant Malcolm Quigley poses with McMaster and Adams in front of the new OPP Community Office in Haliburton.

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Highlands East – Municipal Summary

Municipal Website under Construction

Highlands East Residents can look forward to continued upgrades to a new and improved municipal website over the summer. Making enhancements to the website was identified as a top priority during the Council's strategic planning session to assist with economic development, tourism and simply keeping locals informed. Entrepreneurs will now be able to readily access a list of services provided, not only by the municipality, but area businesses as well and summer residents will be able to access listings of all the accommodations and restaurants that are available in the area, as well as campgrounds and a variety of other services and opportunities for year round activities.

Haliburton's First Hospital Gets a Phone

Well known Wilberforce historian Hilda Clark was on a mission this month to get a telephone installed at the Red Cross Outpost Historic House. Clark didn't waste a minute getting to the point by telling the Council, "There is a national historic site here in the village and I think that we don't promote it enough."

First established in 1922, the Outpost was located in Wilberforce as a result of concerns raised by the Children's Aid Society. The Outpost became an integral part of the community and grew from a one room treatment centre to a mini-hospital and focal point of the community. In 1963 the Red Cross terminated its nursing services and the building was deeded to Monmouth Township to be used as a residence for a number of years.

In 1991 the building was leased to the Wilberforce Heritage Guild to be restored as a museum. Clark said, "It's now recognized as an important historic site in the country and is looked at as an important step in social medicine."

Clark went on to say that the building was given its historic designation in 2003 and a plaque was unveiled in 2006. "We have employed students, applied for grants and have accomplished a lot without asking for very much. Over the years we have raised over \$20,000, through the sale of quilts and other initiatives. Good people have been on the committee for years and we still have three of our original committee members in place."

Getting down to the point, Clark said, "Museum people across the country are talking about digitalizing their files and we don't even have a phone. If you could find it in your hearts to find us a phone.....?"

The Council were immediately supportive and passed a resolution to install a phone in the building, noting that high speed internet could be picked up from the library across the road.

Clark thanked the Council and said they would be open throughout the summer from 11 to 4:00 p.m. with a special event on Canada Day. The Guild will also be hosting 'Tea and Croquet by the Lake' on July 15th at 1:15 p.m. and will be celebrating their anniversary on August 15th.

Beavers not the Problem

Usually it is the beavers that are being accused of wreaking havoc, but this month Council heard a case of several Monrook Lake residents tearing out parts of a beaver dam to lower lake levels much to the consternation of a large number of their neighbours; and all in a year when everyone is crying foul over extreme low levels.

Ron Miceli brought a small petition signed by a number of neighbours who want the beaver dam left alone. "It is a shallow lake and some summers we can't even boat or swim. Two people on the lake come to a piece of property adjacent to mine and owned by the municipality (and damage the dam) because they want more sandy beach. We have almost come to fisticuffs over this because they are pulling out part of the damn which leaves me with a swamp infested with mosquitoes."

Miceli said that when the dam is broken it floods his property and lowers the overall lake levels. He reported that the Ministry had advised that it can't do anything about the problem, but with 21 of the 25 cottages signing a petition asking for assistance, it was Miceli's hope that the municipality

could step in and help.

Councillor Gary Stoughton said that he felt the municipality should take a serious look at helping out. Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie commented that if there was serious drainage through the dam, the municipality could be in trouble with the folks downstream.

Miceli said he was prepared to purchase the shore road allowance as the troublemakers are crossing his property and in the meantime, at the direction of Council letters will go out to all ratepayers on the lake cautioning them about damaging the dam.

Deputy Reeve Raises Concerns Over Policing & Fire Protection Costs



Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie had some harsh words to say about the rising cost of policing and how costs are shared with Dysart et al for protection services in Harcourt Park. Mackie said that he had been investigating how many Dysart calls for police service are being responded to out of Bancroft and questioned the outgoing Staff Sergeant's assurances that it all works out fairly. According to Mackie Bancroft cars also end up at a lot of fire calls in Dysart as well. "We are paying for that."

Mackie mentioned a recent jab at him by Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey for raising concerns like this and said he was surprised that anyone would take offence. Referring to the cost of establishing a temporary ambulance base in Tory Hill, he said, "I'm talking about the cost of the building. It should be a shared cost for the benefit of those in Harcourt Park. I will bring this up at the next (County) meeting and I'm still interested in exploring these costs as are a couple of other members. We own the building and will have to spend money on it. We have talked in the past about selling the building and putting the money into reserves. Now we're looking at \$40,000 or \$50,000 to rebuild it."

Stoughton piped up and said, "You can make the bill

\$50,000 if you want to, but that's hypothetical."

However, Stoughton did agree that the municipality had no control over policing.

"Policing costs are astronomical," said Mackie. "If our roads department's budget increased like that people would be looking for a tree and some rope to hang us."

"It is important for people to realize that we have no control over these costs. We're on a committee, but it's not like a police commission. We have zero control over costs. This is something we have to look at for all municipalities. If we have to go back to contract policing we could go bankrupt."

Mackie and Reeve Dave Burton agreed that there seemed to be no opportunity for the municipality to have a voice in policing costs and that there was little or no accountability to the municipalities for the costs they have to bear.

Odds are that neither our readers nor the OPP have heard the end of this argument.

Feral Cat Shelter to Proceed

After months of discussions and dealing with public concerns about feral cats, particularly in the Wilberforce area,

Council has finally resolved to authorize the purchase of a container to be turned into a year round animal shelter for feral cats.

Reports from By-law Officer Terry Graham at the last meeting of council indicated that calls about cats were on the rise with the warm weather and that limited enforcement avenues left residents to deal with problems on their own. Graham commented that having somewhere to take the animals should resolve most concerns.

The cost of the container was estimated at \$5,800 and a recorded vote on the purchase indicated unanimous support by Council to acquire the container, something that many feel was long overdue. The container will be modified and placed on the same property used for septage, but outside septage boundaries.

Clean-up to Proceed on Damaged Trees

Council has agreed to proceed with clean up work in the Irondale area to trees damaged by mechanical brushing work conducted over the winter.

Both Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie and Councillor Susanne Partridge agreed that the brushing project 'looked pretty rough' in the area and that some additional work would be required. Partridge went so far as suggesting that a policy should be established that precluded contractors from using a mechanical brusher on mature trees. In response, Road Superintendent Earl Covert said, "That will put us out on a limb. Other municipalities and the County are all doing it. It is just the most practical approach." Covert continued to say that to establish a policy that no mature trees would be cut might be going too far.

Stoughton suggested that the problems could be attributed to the operator, and Covert agreed that had some bearing on the outcome.



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Partridge insisted that just because other municipalities used a certain approach did not mean that Highlands East had to do the same thing. "We should be using some discretion."

Stoughton commented that the municipality had hired a contractor and he should be the one to make things right. Partridge, however, said, "Ultimately we are responsible and it ends right here."

Council agreed that clean-up work should proceed and Covert was directed to speak with the original contractor.

Speed Limits to be Reviewed

Deputy Reeve Mackie raised a concern about speeding, particularly through Gooderham and on the Contau Lake Road. CAO Sharon Stoughton-Craig agreed, saying that they had recently held a Health & Safety meeting about a near miss situation.

A resolution was passed reducing the speed limit of the Contau Lake Road and Fortescue Road to 40 kilometres an hour. Council considered this a good start and will be considering other areas in the municipality in the near future.

Gooderham Flower Baskets Stolen

Subsequent to their last Council meeting, Stoughton-Craig contacted the County Voice about the theft of a number of hanging flower baskets in Gooderham.

Stoughton-Craig said, "It takes a lot to put these baskets together and the impact is really felt by small towns trying to make their community look more attractive."



Beautification efforts started in Gooderham a number of years ago by a small volunteer beautification committee. Members held yard sales and received donations to cover the cost of the hanging baskets until finally the municipality recognized the value of this work and took on the cost of beautifying Gooderham, Tory Hill, Wilberforce, Highland Grove, Cardiff, Bicroft Heights and Dyno areas.

"There are 52 baskets overall that come at a cost of \$2600 of taxpayers dollars. In the absence of a BIA, the municipality has done this for the enjoyment of everyone."

The CAO said that the first time the baskets were installed one was taken, but this year they have lost four. "There are no other baskets like it," she said, adding that you never know when one of the missing baskets might be spotted and the theft reported.

Algae Bloom Causes Concern for Davis Lake Cottagers

Golden brown algae is non-toxic

By Jerry Grozelle

Cottagers and residents on Davis Lake were wondering what sort of pollution had struck their lake recently when areas of the lake water turned yellowish brown and gave off an unpleasant odour.

Samples were collected by Ministry of the Environment technologist Lynda Nakamoto for analysis. After analyzing the samples, Nakamoto stated in a report to MoE senior environmental officer Mike Longpre of the Peterborough office that it was an algae bloom.

"The sample indicated a dense bloom of a colonial golden brown alga called Uroglena from the family Chrysophyceae," Nakamoto stated. "Blooms of chrysophytes can colour the water golden brown and impart a fishy odour. There was a pronounced fishy odour when I opened the sample bottle. The fact that the algae were found slightly below the surface is an indication that conditions for growth were most favourable at that depth. Since the cells are motile i.e. they have flagella, they can swim to the depth they prefer."

"Even though a bloom of this nature had not previously been noted in this lake, it is a natural occurrence. Chrysophyte blooms (e.g. Synura) have been noted a number of times in other Ontario lakes. This bloom should dissipate on its own as environmental conditions become less favourable for growth."

Nakamoto was not sure why this unusual algae bloom occurred but she noted that a beaver dam had failed, spilling the water from the beaver pond into the lake.

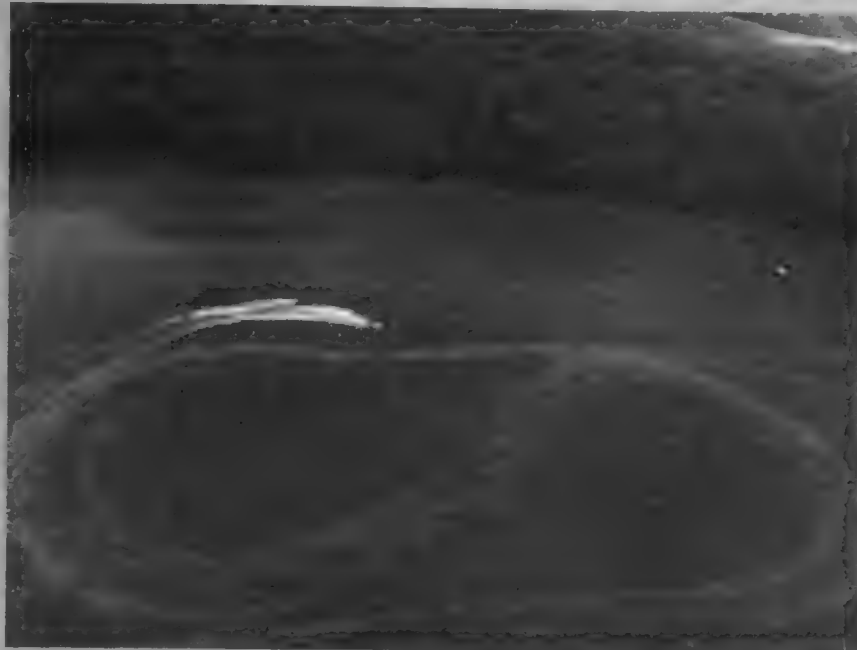
"I can't say whether nutrients from the failure of the beaver dam contributed to the formation of the bloom or not. Other

Chrysophyceae observed in the sample included colonies of Dinobryon and single cells of Mallomonas.

The good news for lakefront property owners is that the type of algae found in Davis Lake doesn't pose a hazard.

"Unlike cyanobacteria (or blue-green algae), golden brown algae do not produce toxins although they may cause taste and odour problems," Nakamoto reported.

Different types of algae blooms can cause toxins, but cottagers can help to prevent these and other water quality problems by observing a few precautions. The MoE offers



guidelines to help prevent water problems. The ministry recommends keeping natural vegetation along lakeshores, "to increase nutrient uptake by plants and reduce erosion and nutrients leaching into the lake." Other recommendations include:

Use low phosphorous detergents and soaps.

Don't fertilize lawns.

Don't wash cars near the lake.

Don't shampoo or wash pets in or near the lake.

Keep septic systems in good repair and have septic tanks pumped as needed.

More information on how you can help preserve your lake's health can be found in Ontario's Lake Partner Program which can be found online at: <http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/en/water/lakepartner/index.php>. ■

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Erin Lynch Sends Out an SOS in Silver

By Will Jones

"Someone gave me some pliers and I began twisting wire into decorative shapes and selling it on the beach." Erin Lynch

'Small yet beautifully formed', is a correct if somewhat inadequate description of both the overall exhibit and individual pieces of artist Erin Lynch's new jewellery collection, now on show at the Art Hive.

Titled Message in a Bottle, the selection of earrings, necklaces, rings and decorative hair clips is a wonderfully eclectic mix of designs inspired by Erin's adventurous nomadic past. A necklace featuring a single cut silver feather and an antique pearl; birds nest brooches, spun from the finest silver wire; masculine rings that have a nut and bolt fastening; all are expertly crafted. And, just as any recording artist has a title track on a new CD; Erin's Messages in Bottles are the stars of the show. Set on fine silver chains, these necklaces each feature a miniscule glass bottle, and, within and adorning the bottles are a variety of tiny decorations that allude to a famous quote that inspired each individual piece.

'Money often costs too much', said Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Erin's take on the quote includes silver coins on the necklace and a tiny rolled Italian Lire note inside. A minute sculpted elephant bottle stopper hints at Dorothy Parker's famous words, 'Women and elephants never forget.' While, shards of sparkly recycled material fill the bottle to which the quote attached is, 'It isn't easy being green,' this profound statement uttered by the indomitable Kermit the Frog!

The creativity, quirkiness and humour running through the Message in a Bottle collection is something that those who know Erin will instantly recognise, along with her appreciation of arts and artisans from much further afield than Canada. In what, much to Erin's delight, her son Seamus dubs her 'crazy adventure'; she travelled to Mexico and Central America, India and Nepal before he was born. And, it was on these travels that Erin first became really interested in jewellery making.

"I'd trained to be a journalist at Ryerson Polytechnic Uni, in Toronto," she says, "but it was while I was travelling that I started to make jewellery. Someone gave me some pliers and I began twisting wire into decorative shapes and selling it on the beach."

On her return to Canada and Haliburton Erin took numerous courses at the Haliburton School of Arts, including chain making, chasing and repoussé, and silver-smithing. However, twisting wire is still dear to Erin's heart. "It is just so accessible and portable," she says. "No blow torches or special equipment, just wire and imagination, that's all you need." Now, using mainly silver, she creates pieces so intricate and ornate that this modest description does little justice to her work.

Erin is more than an artist though. Her entrepreneurial skills are exemplified in the Art Hive, the venue for the exhibition and a gallery/gift shop, which is operated by the Maple Lake Artisans' Collective.

Although, Erin insists that the Art Hive is a cooperative, with each member taking their turn to work shifts in the store, she has been the driving force behind the venture.

It was her personal financial investment, along with a Haliburton County Development Corporation grant, that enabled Erin to purchase the historic Welch's General Store on Highway 118 three years ago.

Born locally but having lived and worked in Toronto, on returning to Haliburton Erin realised she felt a deep attachment to the landscape of the County. "But, with little money and a small child to support I had to think out of the box if I wanted to make a go of life in Haliburton," she says. "I needed an imaginative business plan to make my dream of living and working here as an artist come true."

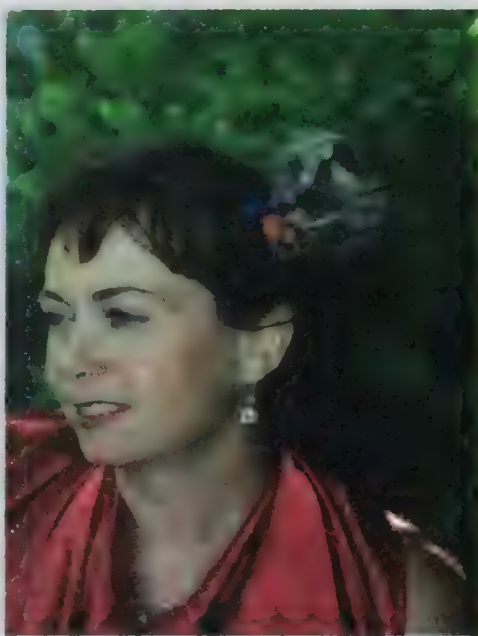
The solution was to buy the run-down store, and, with the help of her artisan friends renovate it to create a new space for local artists – one that would both enable them to sell their work and promote local arts and crafts through a wide variety of workshops and special events throughout the year. The Maple Lake Artisans' Collective was born.

Three years on and the Art Hive is literally buzzing. Filled with arts and crafts as diverse as pottery, fabric art, music, ironwork, sculpture, paintings, jewellery and photography, it is the perfect place to go to pick up something wonderful for a price well within most people's reach. And, if you feel like giving this art-thing a

go for yourself, there is a continuous calendar of events that appeal to everyone from kids to serious crafters.

In 2008 the Art Hive Maple Lake Artisans Collective won the New Business of the Year Award from the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, and, The Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands awarded Erin and the Art Hive the Emerging Artist Honours Award. This year the collective has received the Founders Honour Award from the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands for what it states is, "a prime example of strength in collaboration – people working together to create something both beautiful and successful."

If Erin were to write her own message and pop it in a bottle now, what would it be? Probably not SOS, more likely SYS – See You Soon. The Art Hive can be found at 10239 Hwy 118, Haliburton (just east of Carnarvon). It is open seven days a week, from 10am to 6pm during the summer. The Exhibit runs until July 1st. You can check out the website at www.thearthive.com.



Photos courtesy Eleanor Bathe

Paddy's Bay Kennisis \$549,000



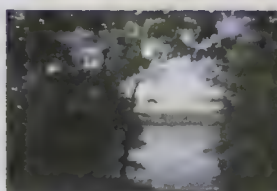
895 ft fr, 12 ac, point lot W,N,E exp, 2400 sq ft, Viceroy, open concept, hardwood flrs, 2 ensuite 1-2 pc, master needs partition to give 3rd bdrm, 3 decks. Total priv. Great walking bush. Sandy, good swimming. Lot 5.3 ac, 700 ft fr avail. \$299,000 +GST. Cottage must sell first of with it. Cottage \$549,000.

Bitter Lake \$69,000



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Kennisis Lake West Shore \$599,000



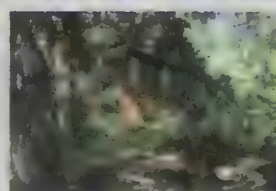
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Redstone Lake \$139,000



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LAKES of HALIBURTON

Community Supports SIRCH

By Courtney Griffin

Haliburton County is a community that truly supports it's own. Local businesses banded together to present the 2nd Annual Rock the Dock event at the Bonnie View Inn on June 12th. The day's activities would raise funds to support the SIRCH Healthy Children Program.

The money from the event would allow for SIRCH to provide nutritious and delicious foods to county families who can't always afford to purchase it themselves. This event also raised awareness of how poverty and children's health are connected, and how nutrition affects a number of aspects of life; properly fed children will be more capable of learning in classes, retaining information, and achieving higher grades.

Andrea Hagarty, owner of the Bonnie View Inn, wanted to host Rock the Dock again this year as she feels that it if for "such a good cause." Last year's event raised \$545 for SIRCH, but this year they were "able to get the word out there much more, with the radio announcements etc." In addition to opening their patio and lawns for the fundraiser, Bonnie View donated all the food for the BBQ. By donating, the Inn ensured that there would be greater amounts of proceeds for the program.

Entertainment was plentiful for guests, as the "rock" section of the event, Carl Dixon, serenaded those on the patio as they dug into barbecued burgers. Craig Bowker, from Ski-Mazing, was running the "dock", providing water attractions such as Banana Boat rides and parasailing. Younger attendees were thrilled with the Scavenger Hunt and the items they found, provided by Buck and Up, the Bargain Shop, and Stedman's. Other articles were donated by both Boatwerks and the Independent.

Although the weather could have been a little better for the beach, the sandy volleyball court was never empty as a 2-on-2 tournament was underway. Guests were found ducking and diving as the occasional stray ball flew into the picnic table area while chuckling diners looked on. Sir Sam's Ski & Summer Resort contributed two bike passes and the volley ball tournament prize.

A marvellous time was had by all as individuals participated in the events on land, in the sky, and on the water. Diners were a great addition to Carl Dixon's voice, as they provided the "ba ba ba" of Sweet Caroline and sang along to other classics. A great effort was put forth by organizer Nancy Brownsberger of SIRCH, Bonnie View, Ski-Mazing and all the volunteers who helped run the event. Many families will be better off with healthier children thanks to the \$800 raised at the Rock the Dock event. ■



Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

By Steve Newman



Gulf Spill Huddle



Scientists studying the behavior of marine life along the oil-polluted Gulf of Mexico say the BP spill disaster appears to be causing sea creatures to crowd into shallow waters near shore. The troubling phenomenon among dolphins, sharks, crabs and small fish could mean the animals' normal habitats offshore have become so badly polluted that they were forced to flee. "Their ability to avoid it may be limited in the long term, especially if ...oil continues to come in," Duke University marine biologist Larry Crowder told the AP. "At some point they'll get trapped." Another threat is that they can be easily eaten by predators, Crowder warned. Researchers say they believe large schools of fish swimming unusually near shore are there because the water is cleaner and more abundant in oxygen.

New Whale Products



Companies in the three nations that still hunt whales despite a 1982 global moratorium on the practice are developing new whale-based products as the International Whaling Commission (IWC) prepares to discuss a limited resumption of whaling. The Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society (WDCS) says it has found thousands of approved patents that list whale oil and other parts of the marine mammals for use in goods such as golf balls, hair color, detergent, candy, bio-diesel and health drinks. "It is clear that whalers are planning to use whale oil and other whale derivatives to restore their hunt to long-term profitability," said WDCS whale campaigner Sue Fisher. She says that Iceland, Japan and Norway are betting heavily that the commercial whaling moratorium will be lifted at the gathering of the IWC in Morocco during late June.

More Cold Winters



Those who suffered through an unusually brutal winter in parts of North America, eastern Asia and Europe can expect a lot more of the same in future years, according to a leading climate scientist. "Cold and snowy winters will be the rule rather than the exception," said James Overland of the U.S. agency NOAA. His prediction, made in Oslo at a gathering of International Polar Year researchers, seems to defy conventional wisdom that a warming Arctic should mean milder winters to the south. The polar regions are crucial drivers of Earth's weather and climate. Overland says the rapid loss of long-term ice in recent years has disrupted "the memory and stability of the Arctic climate system."

Warmest May



The trend of exceptionally warm temperatures worldwide that has prevailed since 1985 continued during May, with U.S. experts saying the month was the hottest May on record. It also marked the 303rd consecutive month that a month was warmer than its 20th-century average, according to Deke Arndt of the U.S. National Climatic Data Center.

Earthquakes



Far eastern Indonesia's Papua province was jolted by two powerful earthquakes that killed two people and wrecked dozens of homes.

- A 7.5 magnitude undersea earthquake near India's Nicobar and Andaman Islands snapped power lines and tossed people from their sleep.

- Earth movements were also felt in metropolitan Tokyo, near the South African city of Johannesburg, northern Sweden, south-central Alaska and Southern California.

A Desert Bounty



Parts of Australia's desert outback are in bloom thanks to a second year of heavy rainfall that also promises to fill Lake Eyre to its highest level since 1974. The abundance of water flowing across hundreds of miles and through dozens of streams has turned the rugged region into a spectacular explosion of life. And much of that water is reaching Lake Eyre, normally a glistening salt flat on the edge of the Simpson Desert. This has prompted thousands of birds to fly long journeys to breed in an Eden-like environment that can remain parched and barren for years at a time.

World Cup Victims



Superstitious beliefs in South Africa about the ability of vultures to impart clairvoyant abilities to humans has created an even greater threat to the endangered birds during the country's hosting of the World Cup. The *Cape Argus* reports that according to tradition, eating the brains of a vulture or wearing a freshly decapitated vulture head can give a person the ability to see into the future and thus predict the results of soccer matches. The vulture population across the country has plummeted in recent years and conservationists say lotto players and gamblers are responsible. "It's highly likely there will be an increase in poaching surrounding the World Cup," said Andre Botha of the South African Endangered Wildlife Trust. He says he fears the birds will become extinct if measures aren't taken to ban the killings and to educate the public about the scavenger birds' crucial role in nature.

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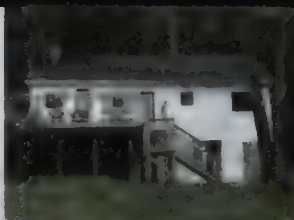
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**Redstone Lake - \$319,700**

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**Dabra Lambe**
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ext. 244**Haliburton Lake - \$439,000**

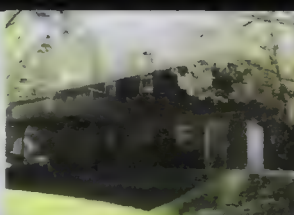
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Just on the outskirts of town on a quiet cul-de-sac you'll find this lovely 3 bdrm bungalow with attached garage and entry into the breezeway. Enter from there into the efficient galley style kitchen to the dining rm with a sliding door to the private back yard patio. The living room & 3 bdrms share a warm natural light and provide lots of space for family. A full basement includes a huge rec room, some of the many features are central air conditioning, wood/electric furnace, and new shingles last fall.

**Country Setting - \$212,900**

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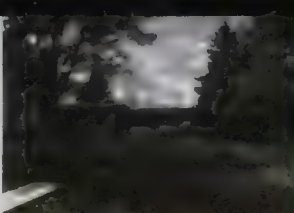
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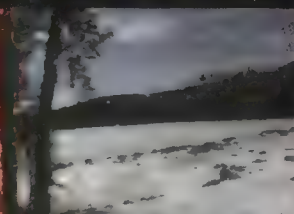
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Jessica WilsonHaliburton Office
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cell 457-8487**Vacant Lot on Large Pond - \$67,000**

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**Ken* Barry**
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ext. 228**Highway 118 - \$199,900**

Beautiful, nicely decorated 3 bedroom home located just outside of the Village of Haliburton. Master with ensuite and its own private wood burning fireplace. Large eat in country kitchen, spacious living room with pine cathedral ceiling and loft area. The double car garage has been converted to a furnace room and workshop area for the handyman. The lot is very nicely landscaped. Come take a look!

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Minden Office
286-2911
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Own this home and property just south of Minden off Highway 35. The home offers lots of living space with a living room and den, 2 bedrooms including laundry. Towering pine trees in the back yard provide privacy and invite wildlife to visit. The large deck on the front is a great place to enjoy a cup of coffee and watch the sun set. Located in a quiet neighbourhood. Municipal water available.

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**Lisa Mercer**
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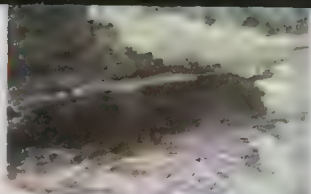
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Moore Lake - \$359,000
Set on a level lot with western exposure and 129' shoreline, this lovely 3 bdrm/2 bath cottage features pine accents, a stone fireplace and cathedral ceilings in the living room, a main floor family room, end of road privacy and a lovely sand shoreline. Boat into three lakes from your dock. \$359,000.



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New Price! - \$499,900
Wonderful opportunity for 4 season fun in this 4 bedroom, 2 bath year round Waterfront Chalet on a gorgeous Eagle Lake sand beach with a walk to the first chairlift. Set into a very private well treed lot on a year round road with 229 feet of frontage and room for a large garage. Make sure to see this lovely custom home with granite, ceramic and hardwood finishes around the double sided fireplace and spectacular long views across Eagle Lake.



Country Estate on Kashagawigamog - \$1,500,000
This spectacular 6.4 acre Kashagawigamog waterfront is the finest example of country living today. Relax on the covered front porch, wander across the expansive lawns, beyond the barn, beside the boathouse to appreciate the breathtaking views and ultimate privacy that 548 feet of hard waterfront afford. So much to see!



Steve Brand
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Blue Hawk Lake - \$525,000
1283 Coaldale Drive only minutes from Haliburton. Pristine and private getaway! 150 acres with trails throughout and over 2000 feet of waterfront with gorgeous southwest exposure. Superb fishing, hunting, hiking, canoeing and boating await. Spacious bunkhouse with loft is ideal for your present family retreat use while you plan your dream vacation cottage. Truly a one of a kind property!



Little Gull Lake - \$369,500
Situating south of Minden and only two hours from the GTA. This unique four season waterfront home/vacation cottage backs unto and looks across the lake at the "Queen Elizabeth Two Wildlands Provincial Park". Spacious open concept design with three bedrooms, sunroom, extra large dining room, large deck overlooking the lake, detached garage and more on a level and beautifully treed and landscaped lot. Just listed! A must see!



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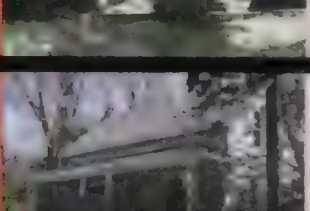
Little Kennisis Lake- \$369,000
Well maintained Viceroy style cottage - 1056 sq. ft. - pine kitchen and dining area - airtight fireplace in living rm. - w/o to front deck - newer windows - laminate flooring - 3 bedrooms - 4 pc. Bath - main floor laundry - w/o perimeter foundation



Gull River - \$284,999
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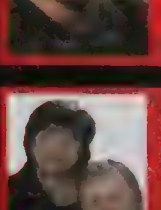
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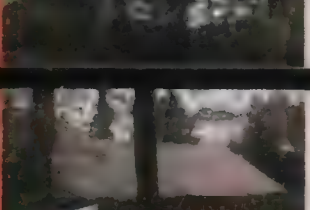
Tory Hill Home - \$114,000
Across from McCue Lake, this 1921 home has had several recent upgrades to give it both charm and convenience. This home has a cathedral ceiling in the kitchen, new roof, new stairways, wood laminate flooring, new plumbing, a great lot with vegetable and rock gardens and large driveway with ample parking! This home must be seen-all with a great lake view, shared use of a dock and an excellent price!



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Room for the whole family! Cozy and bright cottage or home with huge deck overlooking a spectacular lake view. Combination waterfront with two separate dock areas as well as a lakefront entertainment deck. A large, low maintenance well treed lot with dramatic rock faces and perennial gardens. A double detached garage, heated and insulated includes a fully appointed and independently serviced, 2 bedroom guesthouse backing on hardwood bush with trails throughout. A granite patio with fire pit completes the landscaping.



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Horseshoe Lake - \$449,000
Fabulous log cabin on a double lot with 265 feet of frontage on beautiful Horseshoe Lake. Very private, well treed gently sloping lot with western exposure. This property is owned by one of the original founding families on the lake. Gorgeous pine floors and a stone fireplace. Cottage is rustic and loaded with charm. Chinking and painting of replacement logs in front will be completed prior to closing. Priced for quick sale.



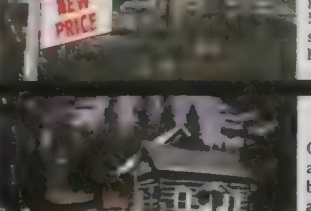
Denna Lake Road - \$299,000
Owners are Motivated! A rare find! Charming and very private, this unique home on 28 acres is just 10 minutes from Minden. Newer septic, new above ground pool built into deck adjacent to the house. Fully insulated 14' X 14' bunkie, several sheds, manicured grounds and gardens, a small pond and numerous groomed trails throughout the property. Main floor laundry and a Napoleon woodstove in the living room. In the kitchen you can see some of the log walls from the original building. The kitchen has hardwood floors, a vaulted ceiling and the gorgeous Elmira



Vince* Duchene
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Redstone Lake - \$329,000
Looking for that perfect family cottage, one that won't need a lot of upkeep or attention? You've found it! This 2 bedroom cottage comes with hardwood floors and broadloom, new modern kitchen and appliances, all new windows, 4 pc bath, laundry with the bedrooms, LR/KT/DR areas vaulted ceilings with tongue and groove pine. The south view will knock your socks off and a great combination of deep diving off the dock and a sandy cove for the kids tops it off! Add in 193' vacant lot next door that can't be built on and you've got it all here.



Unique Opportunity - \$179,000
Original log house built in 1887 with 6 year old addition... quaint, warm décor with lots of historic charm. 3 bdrms, 2 baths, laundry, kitchen with high vaulted ceilings and a loft for an office or family room looking down over the kitchen. Full foundation, storage buildings and situated on 3.5 acres of land with walking trails and loads of privacy. Unique opportunity to own a piece of history! Asking \$179,000



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Charlie George Lake - \$179,900
A spacious 2 bedroom cottage on a quiet lake, large bathroom with laundry area, lovely natural lot, great shoreline of sand and rock. Open concept. Year round private road. A great starter cottage, come out and take a look.



Allen Lake - \$179,900
This 2 bedroom cottage is a great starter. The lot itself is terraced offering a nice view and deep rocky shoreline, perfect for swimming and or fishing. Looking for that summer get-a-way at a reasonable price? This is it. Call today, you will not be disappointed.



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The Mystery of Merv Sternbird: Uncovered

By Courtney Griffin

Each year, it seems, Elke Zilla's grade 12 drama class puts on a show even better than previous shows; future classes will have a hard time ever coming close to how amazing this year's tribute to retiring teachers.

Zilla's class was fuelled by improvisation, and the whole show was created by the students. The drama class chose the directions and made it up on the spot throughout the semester, keeping things that they liked and pitching things that didn't work.

Three wonderful and impactful people are retiring from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School at the end of this school year, and so the entire play was put on in their honour. Gary Brohman, Paul Morissette and Walter Tose were portrayed by Graeme Lloyd, Alex Monk-Cray and Luke Watson respectively, as they searched to finish a scrapbook and learn about the unknown "Merv Sternbird".

Not understanding the hype about the different decades depicted in the scrapbook, beginning in the 1950's, the trio is greeted and taken along for the ride by the most popular trends of the years. In the 50's, the stereo-type of a vapid, mindless housewife, the rap re-telling of the Cat in the Hat, and the husband being the sole breadwinner for the family was re-enacted. Appearances were made by Elvis and 'Dick and Mandy' from Grease.

Next, of course, was the era of hippies and The Beatles, a true musical Cultural Revolution. The Brohman, Morissette and Tose group did not understand the excitement about the 60's...until someone offered them brownies. The Beatles were set to have a performance on stage, yet all the fans had dropped into a dead faint before Paul, Ringo, John and George had finished introducing themselves.

Everyone knows that the 1970's were full of dancing and strange outfits, ABBA and the Bee Gees, while the huge hit of Star Wars debuted in 1977. The drama class took the audience back to the decade with That 70's Show (even though it was first filmed in 1998), with exchange student Joaquim Ribeiro doing a marvellous job of acting as Fez. The students had such incredible costumes for their characters, it was believable that they truly were from the 1970's, while teacher Mr. Merritt did an impressive job performing "Wish You Were".

Kelsey Crowe took us "Back to the 80's" while Michael Jackson, played by Caleb Zilla, introduced 80's Idol featuring Farrah Fawcett and David Hasselhoff as judges. Whitney Houston, Madonna, The Terminator and Bill Gates presented their best in hopes to win the prize, but Bill Gates "crashed" and had to be removed from the stage. Good Times Productions helped the class



Katie Hillier, the typical 50's housewife, feeds her baby RJ Tomazic



Will Riley is The Cat In The Hat

the music scene in a while, Justin Bieber. Brohman, Morissette and Tose seemed to finally be understanding this newest and final decade in their search to complete the scrapbook of Merv Sternbird's life, but found out the R.I.P. over the photo of Merv didn't mean he was dead, simply that he represented "Responsibility, Integrity and Perseverance".

A wise old woman at the end of the tribute said, "You can only get where you're going if you understand where you've been." The three real retirees, Gary Brohman, Paul Morissette and Walter Tose, were each honoured by the cast with a red chair and a large lawn box. After all, they have many years' worth of accumulated belongings to clean out of their offices. Congratulations to the grade 12 drama class, and Mrs. Zilla, for creating such a memorable tribute to three amazing men. ■



Graeme Lloyd as Gary Brohman, Joaquim Ribeiro as a hippy, and Alex Monk-Cray as Paul Morissette



Teacher Guy Prichard sings a classic from the 1960's

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Algonquin Highlands Council Summary

By Jerry Grozelle

Watershed report

Rob Milligan, chair of the Muskoka Watershed Council attended the Algonquin Highlands council meeting on June 17 to present the latest report on the health of the watershed. He told councilors the Watershed Council is a volunteer based organization whose goal is to champion watershed health. The Watershed Council's agenda includes the evaluation of water quality; communication with all of the municipal councils within the watershed; to advocate healthy watershed policies; and to educate through workshops, newsletters and reports.

Benchmarks have been set and through those benchmarks, the watershed council will be able to determine if water quality is improving or declining. There are five levels: excellent, above standard, good, below standard and significantly below standard. The part of the watershed within Algonquin Highlands includes Kawagama Lake and its tributaries. The overall health of the area's watershed is good or above. Good means some enhancement is needed.

Natural shorelines in this area are well above 90 per cent. Milligan commended council for its policies that encourage natural shorelines. He pointed out that the economy of the region, which is tourism driven, depends on ecological quality.

Communities In Action

Kate Hall of the Communities In Action Committee presented the Healthy Active Communities Report. She said the group has received a two-year funding commitment.

A total of 30 community groups participated in a healthy living survey. They represented a cross section of groups across Haliburton County. She noted that 76 per cent of the people doing the work are volunteers.

The Communities In Action Committee has a broad scope of objectives aimed at improving the overall health of the people in Haliburton County by supporting, promoting and providing the knowledge to help with that goal.

A 17-page report on the results of the survey was presented. It outlined the procedures, participants and findings of the survey.

Dorset Area Community Action Plan

Jan MacDonald and Collin Reaney attended the Algonquin Highlands council meeting to "make sure the channels of communication remain open" between the Dorset area community and the township. "We would like to have a partnership with Algonquin Highlands," MacDonald said. She noted that a "vibrant" community meeting was held in Dorset the evening before Thursday's meeting. Three members of Algonquin Highlands council attended that meeting.

MacDonald noted that the group was not soliciting funding from the municipality at this time. A 14-page report was presented go council outlining goals and objectives of the community action

plan.

Councillor Carol Moffatt told MacDonald and Reaney she was incredibly impressed with how they have mobilized the participants.

Request denied

A request by the owner of the Bigwin cruise ship to close part of Harvey Avenue from Highway 35 to the bridge on July 10 so a crane can be put in place to launch the ship was discussed. Council denied the request and requested that the date of the launch be put off for a week. The deciding factor was a number of activities, including the 14th annual Kids Fishing Derby which is held at the town dock, Heritage Day and the Kawagama Lake Annual General Meeting on that weekend. The other events have been well advertised.

Councillor Diane Griffin said there is too much going on that weekend to allow the road closure. She said it would interfere with the other activities. It was noted that the launch of the Bigwin is expected to attract a large number of spectators. Since no other major activities are planned for the following weekend, council will ask that the launch be rescheduled to the next weekend.

Fire Training Officer hired

Ryan Reesor has been hired by the Township of Algonquin Highlands as the Fire Training Officer. Reesor has been a member of the Stanhope Volunteer Fire Department for several years and was a member of a fire department in the Greater Toronto Area.

Council passed a resolution to hire Reesor for the position. Comments included: "It's nice to see someone who has worked up through the ranks"; "We're pleased to have him on our staff"; and "His appointment is a step in the right direction."■



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Tourism Becomes Focus of Warden's Breakfast

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

The concept of holding an annual Warden's breakfast was originally put forward by Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison when she held the position of Warden in 2008. According to Warden Dave Burton during his welcoming comments at this year's event, it was a concept that she embraced and the event has grown three fold since first being held.

Burton said that his second term as Warden had been very interesting and even more challenging. He mentioned the major loss of Ontario Municipal Partnership funding that had created a significant burden for the County, but said that the County had managed to carry on, doing more with less. "The global downturn has affected us all and the County is no different."

Burton, who also chairs the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus, mentioned the EOWC's progress in playing a part to extend broadband services throughout eastern Ontario. With contributions from three levels of government as well as contributed assets from the private sector the \$250 million dollar project will offer 95 percent of residents and businesses across Eastern Ontario as much as 10 times more speed and capacity than what is presently available over the next three years.

Burton commented that the keynote speaker for the day would be speaking on the Regional Tourism Organizations in Ontario and Haliburton's part in RTO-11. "The debate initiated by the Tourism Board and intervention by MPP Rick Johnson on our behalf ensured that Haliburton remained a single entity within RTO-11," he said and added his thanks to them as well as Asst. Deputy Minister of tourism Michael Kurts and RTO-11 Transitional Board Chair Mitchell Wilkie for the parts they played.

Michael Malone, General Manager for the 2011 Ontario Senior Games - Winterfest was then introduced. Malone gave an overview of progress with the winter games and acknowledged the organization committee including Chair Alan Clarke, Warden Dave Burton, Scotty Morrison and Roxanne Casey. (Other members of the committee that were present included Dennis Casey, Bruce Ballantyne, Laura Janke, Pat Kennedy and Dale Walker.)

Malone said that the timing of the event, being mid week in mid February was a great time to 'put some bums in beds in the County.' He said that everyone involved would be housed within Haliburton with the Pinestone being the VIP Athlete's Village, supported by a number of providers throughout the county.

"These games promote the highest level of competition for athletes 55 and over," he said. Listing the categories of sports involved, Malone also said that the committee was expecting as

many as 1100 athletes, 200 coaches and staff and 500 or more spectators including spouses and family members. "We will need over 400 volunteers to implement the games and we will be producing 500 medals designed and produced right here in the County. 10,000 meals will be served during the week and we will use over 2000 bed nights; all great numbers that turn into dollars. Over \$500,000 have been invested in the Haliburton Highlands and I hope to see that grow to a million."

"I think that the Haliburton Highlands will be thrilled with the economic impact of the games and we would like to see many of these winter sports return with their teams for other tournaments."

Economic Development, Tourism & Marketing Director Bob Smith then introduced ADM Michael Kurts to speak about the regional tourism organizations.

Kurts covered some of the work leading up the regional initiative and, commenting on the importance of the tourism industry in Ontario said, "It is one of the major employers across the province and is the only industry, other than government that exists in all parts of the province. From 1987 to 2007 tourism employment grew faster than any other employment in the province and the curve continues upward."

Kurts addressed the incredible challenge that the recession had on the tourism industry creating a drop in the number of American visitors and a drop in the average daily rates across the province by 6 percent. "But despite the challenges we still feel there is huge growth potential and there is still a huge US market to tap into."

Getting into the establishment of the RTO's, Kurts said there had been over 100 organizations involved in tourism marketing and development, many of whom were small financially fragile organizations with limited resources.

Kurts mentioned one organization with a \$300,000 budget that after covering the cost of two staff and office overhead ended up with only \$20,000 to spend on marketing, making it very difficult to have an impact."

"We recognized the need to create an industry that could deal with the challenges. The RTO's were put in place as a mechanism to establish reliable funding with much greater capacity for collaboration within and across the regions," he said, adding that the 13 organizations that had been established were already holding meetings and identifying common issues.

Kurts said that the Ministry's position was that boundaries should be permeable in order to get people working together successfully. He talked about the \$40 million dollar budget established which had been increased to \$65 million for the first

two years. Having said that, he also talked about the need to establish destination marketing fees.

In addressing the solidification of the County within Region 11, Kurts said, "A compelling case was made to change that. We were not easy to convince and that is a measure of the level of effort made by the people here who were willing to go forward and make a change. We hope to see more of that level of support and advocacy across the province."

Kurts also spoke about the legislation that had been passed last fall on regulating tourism levies. "If you go to a hotel, part of your bill will include a percentage of up to 3 percent that goes back to the RTO. That could generate approximately \$40 million dollars now. Each Region must decide if they are going to continue to collect those fees. The Minister of Finance will agree to collect and deliver these funds back to the region, creating a significant potential source of funding. At 3 percent the potential for revenue equals \$120 million dollars across the province."

Kurts went on to say it was a local decision and each region will have to weigh the impact of additional percentages added to individual bills. "Quebec has a similar approach and of 22 regions, 21 collect the levy. It is in the transition phase in Ontario now, but it is an opportunity for funding and I encourage everyone to get involved in the development of the RTO as a mechanism to support the industry."

Mitchell Wilkie, the Transitional Board Chair of RTO-11 was then introduced and immediately commented that one of the first challenges was to find a name for the region, adding that the decision would likely be one of the most contentious.

Wilkie spoke of the importance of bridge building and working with partners in the region. He spoke of the strong winter season within the region offering camping, fishing, paddle sports, boating and snowmobiling. "These are all activities that draw people to stay the longest and spend the most money."

Wilkie said that the Ottawa Valley Tourism Association would be the accountable body for the region, but that a transition group would be established as a steering committee under the OVTA. "They will direct and guide the deliverables for the transfer agreement as well as communicate and report what is going on."

Our main goals will be leadership and strategic planning, strategic marketing (noting that all regions will be marketed equally), establishing strong partnerships and collaboration, innovation and product development, investment attraction as well as workforce development and skills training. According to Wilkie one of the staff members for the RTO will act in the capacity of an economic development officer.

Wilkie said that the next steps for the transition group involved establishing a terms of reference. Working on a funding transfer agreement, recruiting for a short term coordinator to assist him and conducting a strategic planning exercise (scheduled for July in Bancroft) to discuss strategy for the future.

Wilkie also said that he believed there would be four staff members including a manager, an administrative assistant, a marketing and coordination manager and a tourism coordinator. "As the RTO grows we may have to increase the staff up to five or six members but the additional staff could be in satellite locations to ensure that we rally all of the community partners."

"We'll need some legal assistance to establish a not-for-profit organization and to conduct a name search." Having said that, Wilkie suggested that one of the initial names put forward as a favourite at the moment was the 'Algonquin East Ottawa Valley Tourism Region.'

It should be noted that there were a number of comments heard from those in attendance after the meeting that this name would not work well for Haliburton. One attendee said, "All will be lost for us if they choose that name."

Wilkie finished his presentation by saying that he wanted to see everyone in the region 'work and win together.' ■

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Minden Hills Holds Special Meetings

Liz Daniels
Staff Reporter

Long Awaited Crosswalk Gets Green Light

Students walking to the Archie Stouffer Elementary School this fall will be treated to a brand new, state of the art crosswalk at the intersection of Bobcaygeon Road and Parkside Street, making their daily trek back and forth much safer. At a special meeting held on June 10th to discuss this long awaited addition the Council voted unanimously to proceed with the project.

A tender for the crosswalk project would likely have proceeded without a hitch as part of the sidewalk improvements this summer if not for a memorandum from Road Superintendent Kevin Hill, cautioning Council members that a consultant's report had not recommended the intersection as the preferred location. Despite his caution, Hill provided several options for Council's consideration on the type of installation.

Reeve Jim McMahon agreed that the budget had been approved for the project, but he did not recall any discussion about location options.

Councillor Peter Oyler said, "This issue has been going on for four years. It was four years ago

when the folks at Archie Stouffer requested consideration for the crosswalk on Parkside and Bobcaygeon as the major intersection for the school, cultural centre and library etc." Oyler said that as recently as the previous day he had held discussions with the School Council about the crosswalk and their preferred location had not changed.

"There is no other location that they will support," he said. "To me the location is clear." As a follow up to previous discussions about the possibility of cost sharing, Oyler also said, "And as for payment, that is our responsibility, not the responsibility of the Board to pay either in total or in part. This is our obligation under the law."

Oyler was clearly frustrated that Council was once again debating the issue and didn't hesitate to voice that frustration.

McMahon said, "If the crosswalk is placed at the Lions Hall as (Kevin Hill) suggested, there would be no point in having it at all. "You might as well put it at the corner of Bobcaygeon & Deep Bay Road."

Councillor Barbara Reid said, "It is important that this initiative be driven by the children and their parents. If they believe that is where it should go, I don't understand why there is a problem."

Hill voiced concerns about the crosswalk being at the bottom of a hill. He suggested that kids would ‘hit the button and run’ without looking or making a complete stop. He said, “Any crosswalk that goes in will be better from a risk management perspective but to put one in without being properly structured for conditions might add to our liability.”

Reid commented that there were bus stops in all sorts of locations. "Just because the ground isn't level is no reason to eliminate it. There will always be occasions when children don't use the crosswalk properly. As Mr. Oyler says, we have an obligation and if we put in a state of the art facility, we have done our job. We may never have to use it, but I don't begrudge putting it in."

Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch commiserated with Hill's concerns particularly as the speed limit has been lowered to 30 kph in that area. "The only problem is, if the crosswalk is moved to the Lions Club, the kids will cross at the intersection anyway."



Murdoch, who has had years of experience as a school board trustee, also said "As far as the school Board stepping up to the plate, this is our business and it is up to us to solve. School boards and municipalities don't mix and it will fall to (Hill) to ensure the crosswalk is maintained and the intersection cleared and sanded."

Oyler agreed that winter maintenance would have to be stepped up, but he also commented that it would be up to the school to provide proper education for the kids about the use of the crosswalk. "Let's put this to bed and move on," he said.

Council generally agreed that the school should do some education and there should be a crosswalk person on hand. A resolution was finally passed to tender the crosswalk as part of the sidewalk improvements. A resolution was passed unanimously and the new crosswalk will include diagonal yellow lines, flashing lights, traffic signs and the latest technology.

One final resolution as passed waiving the \$100 honorarium due to each member when a special meeting is held.

Minden Hills Finances on Track

On Friday, June 11th the Minden Hills Finance Committee held their first meeting of the year and it would appear that every department is well on track with budgeted expenditures.

Recent comments have been made publically that the Finance Committee has failed to meet on a regular basis and this was evident by the fact that when the committee members adopted the minutes from their last meeting, they were dated October 23rd, almost eight months ago.

Despite the delay CAO Gerry Morrison commented that his management team should be praised for their work, adding that their efforts were second to none in the county. Morrison also commented that he would be bringing new numbers for Council's consideration on the water tower project either at the end of June or sometime in July.

"We have met with the engineers and contractors and I am pleased to say there have been substantial savings on the project. We are still negotiating with the engineer and feel there are other areas that will lessen the burden that we saw six weeks ago. We won't find a million dollars, but we are looking at every savings we can."

Treasurer Lorrie Blanchard reviewed 2009 year end totals indicating an estimated surplus of \$445,000. She also advised that each department was within budget as of April 30th of this year with no specific concerns raised by department heads about their ability to keep things in line for the remainder of the year. According to Blanchard tenders received for road reconstruction/resurfacing came in well within estimates and the municipality, "is in good shape there."

Blanchard reported that \$220,000 had been transferred into water and sewer reserves and to date there is a \$122,000 surplus in that department. She said, "There will be a slow build up towards the debenture payment on the water tower."

Chair Peter Oyler also thanked the staff for their efforts. He referred to reports from the Cultural Centre Director and Roads Superintendent and asked that they be received as information.

Councillor Barbara Reid inquired about a list of questions that she had submitted, but Oyler quickly responded that any questions would be answered directly, in writing, in due course which clearly makes it difficult if not impossible for the public and the press to see either the questions or the answers. ■

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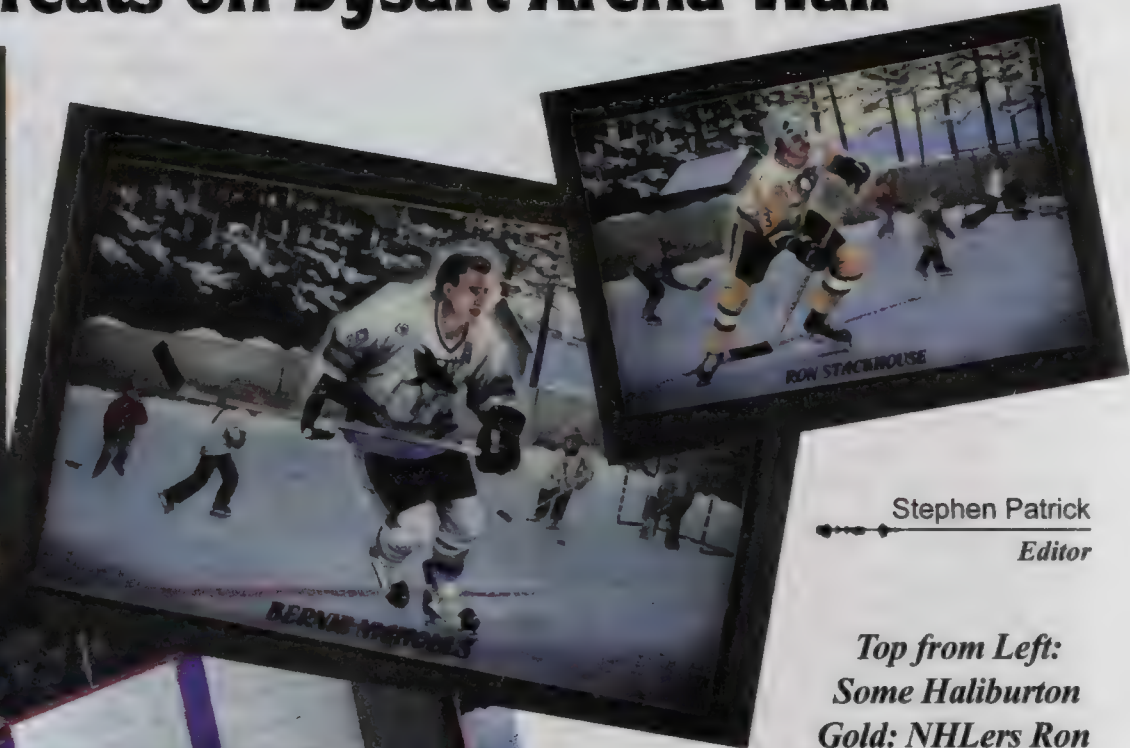
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Matt Duchene Joins the Greats on Dysart Arena Wall



Stephen Patrick
Editor

"I want to thank my community for this great honour."

Last Saturday in an informal, moving, and relaxed ceremony Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey, accompanied by assorted Haliburton hockey greats, unveiled the latest mural on the Dysart Arena wall. After just one year in the NHL, Colorado Avalanche rookie and proud Haliburtonian Matt Duchene joined West Guilford's Bernie Nicholls and Ron Stackhouse. "As a kid growing up, and playing so many games in this arena, I dreamed that some day I would

Top from Left:
Some Haliburton
Gold: NHLers Ron
Stackhouse, Matt
Duchene, Bernie Nicholls, and Walt
McKechnie pose in front of the new
mural depicting Duchene
at the Dysart Arena.



be lucky enough to have my picture up here. It really is a dream come true," said Duchene.

"I want to thank all my family for all the support over the years, and the countless hours they put in. I also want to thank my coaches and the medical professionals in Haliburton who helped me so much, and who continue to help me. It's a great honour for me and my family."

In another short speech, former NHLer Walt McKechnie, a Haliburtonian for 25 years, praised the great careers of Stackhouse and Nicholls: "Ron had a great 12-year career in the NHL, scoring 87 goals along with 372 assists, a great record for a defenseman. He also had an amazing six assists in one game. Bernie played over 1100 games in the NHL and is one of the greatest scorers ever, with 475 career goals along with 734 assists for a total of 1209 points. There are only about 100 players in the entire history of the NHL who averaged a point a game during their careers." McKechnie went on to praise Haliburton's latest star, saying no one could doubt that, "Matt Duchene is the real deal, folks."

In an inspiring speech perhaps more reminiscent of the locker room than the classroom, retiring Haliburton High School Principal (and hockey coach) Gary Brohman praised Duchene's inspiring dedication, character, and devotion to excellence. "Excellence is going the extra mile, it's going where other people don't think is safe. I was privileged to help out on the bench with Coach Ron Yake during Matt's two years as a Red Hawk - in his last year he had 54 points in 13 games. My job was to open the bench door, and wish him luck. And you know, on the snow days we get every winter in Haliburton, when the rest of the teenagers would take the day off to sleep, Matt would be out on the ice, practising his shot from morning on. I used to tell him, 'the harder I work, the luckier I am,' and that's certainly true of Matt's career."

And on this day, the last word went to Matt Duchene: "I want to thank my community, my town for this great honour." ■



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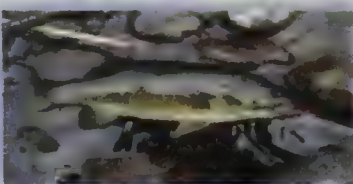
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Athletes of the year Pogue and Paul – Defining Excellence

By Seamus O'Bradaigh

Brohman, Morissette and Tose say goodbye – one last time

The defining link between striving and success is sometimes fleeting, at times esoteric, often karmic, but always sublime.

Kara Pogue and Drew Paul – who were named female and male Athletes of the Year at the Northern Lights pavilion last Tuesday evening – found that stuttered crossroads between striving and success this year.

They found it in the rink, on the fields, on the pitch and in the gym.

They earned that recognition through their play, but bottom line, the esteem was earned for all those significant other intangibles that both players delivered in a veritable potpourri of sports.

They were recognized chiefly for their selfless dedication to team; to fellow athletes; and to the core values of the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School athletic program.

It's simple really.

Pogue and Paul quite literally ran their way into the hearts, minds and souls of their teammates and in so doing earned the respect of their teachers, their mentors and their coaches.

Several speakers at last Tuesday's annual Red Hawk Awards night quoted John Wooden, the man behind the longest winning streak in NCAA basketball history – a string of 88 victories and 10 NCAA championships in 12 years with the UCLA Bruins way back in the 60s and 70s..

Coach Wooden died recently at the age of 99 and those of us with some connective tissue to that lovely era of the rolled up program, and the books, the Pyramid, and the coaching clinics will remember that the Wizard of Westwood stressed team first, but he also had an indelible belief in the power of a single soul and thus he urged every one of his athletes to strive, to reach, to gasp and to grasp; finally he urged his players to exceed the limiting vision of surmised potential.

"Do not let what you can't do interfere with what you can do," said coach Gary Brohman, quoting coach Wooden in his mellifluous and tersely profound dedication to Paul.

"Coach John Wooden said that success is peace of mind which is a direct result of self satisfaction knowing that you did your best to become the best you are capable of becoming," said coach Paul Morissette in a glowing tribute to Pogue.

Morissette gave parents, friends and teammates some tender glimmer into Pogue's special spark; a flickering ember that has allowed her to place her own indelible imprimatur upon the sports program at Hal High.

"She is the poster child for doing your very, very best," said Morissette. "Most of you know Kara as a super academic whiz who excels at everything she does. And although Kara makes school and sport look effortless this is largely a mirage."

"Overcoming self doubt and developing a sense of confidence in her athletic abilities have really been integral to her journey here at Hal High."

Morissette explained that it's Pogue's unstinting dedication to process that really sets her apart.

"Her work ethic rubs off and she was the first at practice and the last to leave," said Morissette.

"Kara would be the first person to tell you she's not the best athlete but there are few if any that work as hard to improve her skills."

He went on to say that Pogue was not a self-assured athlete in the beginning.

But somewhere between grade nine and ten it all seemed to click for Pogue.

Uncertainty was quelled, superseded by an inescapable notion that if she put one foot in front of the other it would all click – eventually.

Morissette allowed that he felt privileged to be there for all of Pogue's four years – from cocoon to butterfly.

"Kara's eyes light up when she's on the field when she's playing sports, there's joy and that's what it's all about," said Morissette. "Kara understood that her role was not to win the Miss Congeniality contest, but to show by example how hard you need to work and how dedicated you have to be to be successful."

Coach Morissette reminisced about a special playoff game in Field Hockey playdowns, and how Pogue stepped up when it counted. She stepped up to the line in a penalty shot situation and the goal was instrumental in the victory against Bancroft. That goal so important said Morissette because just a year prior to that she stepped to the line and missed the penalty.

The coach said that Pogue made a mental note and worked on the deficiency. When she took the shot last fall there was an inevitability that escaped no one on the pitch – destination net; mission accomplished.

"There were many reasons that afternoon why the team could have collapsed," said Morissette.

"Adversity had taught the team on that day that you don't fold when things don't go exactly your way," he added. "You stick together. They did; and that day champions were born."

"Kara was the glue, the cement that held this group together."

Both players shine at the one thing coaches love to see athletes excel at: perseverance.

For Paul, who has always been a multi sport phenom, his own accomplishments speak for themselves.

Paul had his jaw wired shut (no, it wasn't mandated by his hockey coaches Ron Yake and Brohman) so the smile on his face was somewhat restrained as coach Brohman proceeded to explain just what makes Drew Paul so special.

"When I sign those report cards it's never below 90 percent," said Brohman. "Drew has fire – and I mean ladies and gentlemen,

fire – in those eyes; he has a burning desire to win and sometimes we have to shave it down. He has a constant and consistent fire at practice. Excellence starts with the will to do your best."

It's about risking more than others' think is safe; it's expecting more of yourself than others think is possible."

Brohman added that his performance was the end result of his work ethic.

"He's over the top, every shift every plan every game," explained Brohman. "And Drew Paul doesn't take time outs."

Paul was an MVP on the track team and also in hockey and badminton this year, and Brohman said that coach Morissette was particularly generous in his own coaching appraisal..

"Drew takes the time to help in a leadership role helping to improve other athletes skill," said Morissette. "This year Drew worked with Alex McMaster in hurdles to make Alex's time better." Morissette added that every member of the track team benefited from Paul's leadership.

"The price of discipline is always less than the pain of regret," said Brohman. "Drew can tell you, because he practices hard and I can tell you that because I've worked with him for four years. Ladies and gentlemen it's not easy being the person that drives 100 percent on every play. Drew Paul does. It's not easy being the person who has the character to accept failure. Drew has learned and he's still learning. It's not easy to accept with grace, losing, when you've done your best. And when you go on the extra mile you're going to meet Drew Paul. Because he'll be running beside you."

"Drew you've represented our school with Red Hawk pride; you have a loyal heart. A loyal heart for your coaches, parents and to this school and that's very, very special."

Earlier in the evening Pogue gave a very bittersweet speech honoring three coaches who will be retiring at the end of term.

Walter Tose, Morissette and Brohman will all be retiring from teaching, but there was some indication that Tose may be thinking about some post partum coaching duties with the Red Hawk hoops program.

Pogue was eloquent as she described just how important all three coaches had been to all those athletes over all those years of mentorship and guidance.

"Three of the most amazing coaches that Hal High has seen are leaving and it's really sad," said Pogue. "On behalf of all the athletes I'd like to thank you for all the years of dedication ... for spending time with us after practice. You're the best Mr. Brohman, Mr. Tose and Mr. Morissette."

"You will be dearly missed." The bricks may vanish.



Female Athlete of the Year Kara Pogue



Retiring Principal Gary Brohman with retiring teachers Paul Morissette and Walter Tose.



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Duchene Day & McKecks Hall of Fame Room

By Seamus O'Bradaigh

A day of honours.

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Quite a week in the life of Matthew Duchene, a soft-spoken and discerning young man from the Highlands.

On Saturday, in a ceremony attended by close to 200 people a throng of notables including Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey welcomed Matt Duchene back to the place where it all started.

Back to the place where he laced on his first pair of skates.

Back to the old haunt where he exorcised some demons learning the finer points of give, go, and keep the feet churning.

Back home to the old Dysart Barn, an anachronism, but a pleasant enough place to watch a nice game of shinny.

The occasion?

The unveiling of a Matt Duchene mural on the side of the venerable old hockey barn. (See story by Stephen Patrick.)

The crowd spilled over to McKecks Blue Line.

And Matthew Duchene is chatting earnestly with Bernie Nicholls in the new Hall of Fame room downstairs at McKecks.

The Haliburton Hurricane has just finished cutting the ribbon, officially opening the comfy room, cozy niche, and homespun homage to Haliburton's growing list of hockey legends.

Duchene's Colorado Avalanche jersey - number nine in your programs and number one in your hearts - has a prominent spot on the wall, but it's sharing the space with some other Highlands' notables.

Nicholls, Ron Stackhouse, Walt McKechnie, Cody Hodgson, Glenn Sharpley and a referee sweater in honour of hall of famer - former NHL referee in chief and VP in charge of the Hockey Hall of Fame - Scotty Morrison are all on the wall sharing some space with Hodgson's Team Canada jersey, and minor league hockey sweaters.

The small room was crowded with dignitaries from Dysart et al, including Reeve Murray Fearrey, Duchene's Brampton Battalion coach, Stan Butler, the West Guilford connection of Stackhouse and Nicholls, Morrison, and a roomful of special guests and former coaches like Hal High's Gary Brohman.



More importantly, mom, Chris, dad, Vince and sister Jessica are all there to share in this day of celebration which began with the mid-morning mural unveiling.

It all left Matt just a little non-plussed, but in a good way.

"It's obviously a huge honour and it was pretty cool to share it with Ron (Stackhouse) and Bernie (Nicholls) and it was a great day," says Duchene.

Was it overwhelming?

"I think a little bit," smiles Duchene. "You know it's pretty cool to see yourself on a huge mural at that rink ... well, I played a lot of games on that rink. So it was a great day and I feel very fortunate."

For Duchene, last Saturday's festivities were just the beginning of a pretty busy week.

On Tuesday Matt, along with Chris, Vince and Jessica will all board a plane for Las Vegas where Matt is one of three final candidates - with Buffalo defenseman Tyler Myers and Detroit goaltender, Jimmy Howard - in the

Calder Cup sweepstakes.

The Calder is given each year to the NHL's top rookie and while everybody in the Highlands have their own idea about who's going to take home the silverware you might be surprised to hear about what Duchene has to share on the subject.

Duchene says he's pretty sure that he won't be the guy picking up the silverware.

"It'll be a good night, and we'll see what happens, but I don't really expect to win," smiles Duchene. "I think Myers is going to win. But we'll see. I'm really good friends with Myers and however it goes it's nice just to be there."

He feels that Myers is deserving of the award and that he's just happy to be among the three being looked at by the hockey writers.

Some writers have their own take on who is most deserving and that's why it's always a turkey shoot.

Dan Rosen on nhl.com makes his own case why Duchene should win the coveted Calder,

"Without Duchene, the Avs probably don't make the playoffs," says Rosen. "He was second on the team in goals behind only Chris Stewart's 28 and third on the team in points. His team-high 10 power-play goals helped Colorado finish 15th in the NHL with the man-advantage after a 25th place finish in 2008-09. Duchene scored 16 of his 24 goals away from Pepsi Center, the most road goals for any rookie."

Rosen adds that Duchene had to persevere through some adversity after a slow start.

"Duchene was far from a lock to make the team after he was picked No. 3 last June, but he quickly became Colorado's second-best center behind Paul Stastny," says Rosen. "Some would argue that Duchene is already better than Stastny, but his stats and ice time would not suggest that's the case just yet."

"He was, however, the best rookie in the NHL this season."

Scotty Morrison agrees with Rosen.

"Well as far as I'm personally concerned [the rookie of the year] had better be Matt Duchene," says Morrison, with some oomph.

Matt is pretty pumped about the actual awards night.

"It's a media event now," says Duchene, referring to the live prime time coverage on Wednesday covered live on CBC. "It's a big awards show and they do a very good job, so it will be a lot of fun."

Indeed, the Palms Hotel in Las Vegas is the NHL's home for two days starting Tuesday, June 22 as the brightest stars and best regular-season performers gather with Hollywood stars for the 2010 NHL Awards (June 23, 7:00 p.m. ET, VS, CBC, RDS).

NHL.com will also stream exclusive pre-show coverage.

Actor and comedian Jay Mohr will host the 2010 NHL Awards on June 23 at the Pearl Concert Theater inside The Palms Hotel in Las Vegas as the stars of Hollywood and hockey come together to honour the National Hockey League's best.

Late Friday, it was announced the Goo Goo Dolls will join the show. As previously announced, the star-studded show will feature Hollywood star Mark Wahlberg, CBC's George Stroumboulopoulos, Florida rockers Shinedown, Grammy Award-nominated rapper Snoop Dogg, the world famous Cirque du Soleil, drummer/music producer Travis Barker and many of the NHL's biggest stars.

Snoop Dogg and Barker will open the broadcast with a pre-taped performance of "I Wanna Rock," followed by a live performance by the Goo Goo Dolls later in the show.

Quite a line up and quite a night for the whole Duchene family.

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We are so fortunate to have land owners who permit us to use a specified section of their land, for ATV trails. ATV clubs then have a land use permit with the land owner, and name them on the club insurance policy as the insured party. In the Haliburton area, we have an extensive amount of Crown land, which is administered by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources. Crown land is available to the public for many uses, such as camping, hiking, snowmobiling, equestrian, ATVing, boating, etc..

Crown land can and does get sold to private owners. Often parcels of private land lie among parcels of Crown land. Users of ATV club trails are not aware that they cross private as well as public land. Without a permit or membership with the club, those people are trespassing. There is no crown land in Dysart et al many people use the snowmobile trails, unless those trails are on the HATVA trail map they are trespassing. If there is a trail you would like to use contact HATVA and we will work with the landowner to make the trail legal.

In some areas of Ontario the MNR has closed Crown land to ATV use. Usually these are areas that do not have a local ATV club, therefore no one is doing maintenance on the trails. The MNR is very specific to us that they do not want detours around wet or muddy areas. They want ATV users to stay on the trail only. Therefore, the solution is for clubs to make the wet or muddy areas more passable.

When it comes to crossing rivers, etc., clubs have to apply to the MNR for a work permit, outlining the type of structure they wish to build to cross a river, etc.. Once approval is given, the club has to build and continue to maintain that bridge. This is why supporting your local club by buying a pass, permit or membership is so important.

Something that we never want to have happen, is that the MNR requires ATV users of Crown land to be members of a club to gain access to trails on Crown land.

Solidify the future of ATVing in Ontario, buy proper passes, permits and memberships from your local club, respect private landowners and stay on the trail.

Next month: scenery. ■

Minden Kinsmen Show and Shine 2010

Results

1: 2010-2011 Highway Tractors, sponsored by 1st Royal Homes, 2nd Minden Auto Care, 3rd the Pump Shop. One winner only, 1st, Scott Delorme.

2: 2005-2009 Highway Tractors, sponsored by Fowler Construction. 1st: Robert Bell. 2nd: Kyle Chaffey. 3rd: Doug Chaffey.

3: 2004 and Older Highway Tractors, sponsored by JP Leveque Brothers Haulage. 1st: Jack Prentice. 2nd: Larry Hewitt.

4: 2010-2011 Working Trucks, sponsored by John E. Francis Fuels. 1st: Jerry Roberts. 2nd: Amonda Firman. 3rd: Shawn Armstrong.

5: 2005-2009 Working Trucks, sponsored by Steve Beaver Trucking. 1st: James Mathias. 2nd: Don McCachern. 3rd: Larry Hewitt.

6: 2000-2004 Working Trucks, sponsored by Garbutt Disposal. 1st: Darren Gilbert. 2nd: Tony Prentice.

7: 1999 and Older Working Trucks, sponsored by Subway Developments. 1st: Bradley Finch.

8: Best Fleet Working Trucks (5 or more), sponsored by Hawk River Construction. 1st: Hawk River Construction. 2nd: Tom Prentice & Sons.

9: Log Trucks, sponsored by JAC Kernohan Construction. 1: Ricky Danilko.

10: 2010-2011 Pickup Trucks, sponsored by Ridgewood Ford. 1st: Mark Snell. 2nd: Graham Neave. 3rd: Tony Prentice.

11: 2004-2009 Pickup Trucks, sponsored by Curry Motors. 1st: Graham Neave. 2nd: Davis Reynolds. 3rd: Mike Hill.

12: 2003-1999 Pickup Trucks, sponsored by Derek Beachli Construction. 1st: Gord Brunner. 2nd: Matt Hutchinson.

13: 1998-1981 Pickup Trucks, sponsored by Minden Lions Club. 1st: Jeff Farr. 2nd: Brian Johnson. 3rd: Roger Eagleston.

14: Best Custom Pickups, sponsored by Pinestone Resort, Conference Centre and Golf Course. 1st: Tim Johnston. 2nd: James Robertson.

15: Best Decked Out Truck Class, sponsored by Grumpy's Taxi and Limousine Service. 1st: James Mathias. 2nd: Kyle Chaffey. 3rd: Doug Chaffey.

16: 1980 and Older Trucks or Cars, sponsored by Kawartha Dairy. 1st: Mervyn Cowan. 2nd: Tom Prentice. 3rd: Tim Johnston.

See picture
spread next
two pages...

Minden Kinsmen Truck Pull 2010

Results

1: 2X4 Pickup, sponsored by Taylor Brothers. 1st: Greg Jarvis. 2nd: Steve Carnochan. 3rd: Alex Lyddiatt.

2: 4X4 Gas Short Wheel Based Pickup, sponsored by CarQuest of Minden. 1st: Nick Webber. 2nd: Nate Smith.

3: 4X4 Gas Long Wheel Based Pickup, (Stock Factory), sponsored by Back Country Tours CA. 1st: Derek Walker. 2nd: John O'Leary. 3rd: Mark Snell.

4: 4X4 Gas Long Wheel Based Pickups (Stock Circuit), sponsored by Hudson Henderson Insurance. 1st: Jake McFadden. 2nd: Daryl Wheeler. 3rd: Kyle Garbutt.

5: 4X4 Diesel Pickups, sponsored by Merrill Barry Company Ltd. 1st: Dave Shaw. 2nd: Louie Reynolds. 3rd: Rob Wilbee.

6: 4X4 Chipped Diesel Pickups, sponsored by Highlands Accounting. 1st: Cody Walsh. 2nd: Jim Graham. 3rd: Jim Knight.

7: No Registrations

8: Circuit 4X4 Pickups, sponsored by, 1st: Dollo's Foodland and Mark Walker Haulage; 2nd: Minden Collision; 3rd: Algonquin Projects. 1st: Luc Sisson. 2nd: Tom Pearson. 3rd: Kevin Way.

9: Tandem Dump Trucks, sponsored by Tom Prentice and Sons. 1st: Darren Gilbert. 2nd: Brad Finch. 3rd: Rob Wilbee.

10: Tri-Axle Dump Trucks, sponsored by Louie Reynolds and Sons. 1st: Dave Pettes. 2nd: Jerry Roberts.

11: Log Trucks, sponsored by Roger Danilko Trucking and Logging Inc. 1st: Ricki Danilko. 2nd: Roger Eagleson. 3rd: Wayne Thompson.

12: Highway Tractors, sponsored by Haliburton Crane Rental, Div. of ECS. 1st: Ryan Sanderson. 2nd: Roger Eagleson. 3rd: Wayne Thompson.



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KIN and HATVA Unite Resulting in a Dirty Addition to a Shiny Show



The action started earlier than usual at the annual Kin Show-and-Shine truck event this past Saturday at Minden fairgrounds. While one group of participants was busy cleaning and shining vehicles, another bunch was proceeding to get their machines as dirty as possible. For the first time ever, an ATV mud bog sponsored by Haliburton ATV Association kicked off the day's competitions at approximately 10 AM.

The 130 foot (39.6m) long mud course was constructed by Tom Prentice Trucking while the Minden Fire Department and its water truck added the final ingredient to cook up the oozy and gooey bog. Watching the ATV riders attempt to maneuver through the 1-2 foot deep mud proved to be popular with the crowd. There were 40 riders, including 4 women, competing in 3 classes. Bhagan Custom Creations, a member of the ATV club, donated a total of \$3000 in prizes.

Winners were:

500CC and under - Paul Devitt at 8.59 sec., Rob Franklin 8.66, Keith Warner 9.05

500-700cc - Brian Warner 8.09, Paul Devitt 8.42, Al Valaent 8.48 800 cc - Jay Warner 5.36, Keith Warner 5.62, Paul Devitt 6.08.

Kevin Highfield, (Pitbull Tires, Oshawa) thought it was a shame to waste Tom's new infrastructure, so shortly after the ATVs were finished he suggested a kids Dash for Cash and put up \$50.00 prize money. There followed a furious line up of donors, and within 20 minutes, announcer and bog-builder, Tom Prentice Sr., had \$400 prize money in his hands. Four age divisions were quickly compiled and almost immediately the first group, five to seven year olds, gathered at the start to traverse the 43-yard long bog.

The first and second place finishers each received a \$50 cash prize, and as each mud-drenched wee body exited the bog, he or she was encouraged to give HATVA representative Harold Clayton a big hug. Needless to say, the Dash for Cash went over well with kids, parents and organizers. We couldn't get all the results, because the kids grabbed the money and ran! (They were more interested in the cash than the glory.)

By early afternoon, the bog was abandoned and the truck pulls took center stage until 6 PM. There were 28 classes, 16 show and shine divisions, along with 12 pulling events. Vehicles ranged in size from standard pick up trucks to large and powerful logging trucks and highway tractors.

(results here)

Kin organizers began preparing the site on Friday night and returned Saturday morning at 6:30 AM to set up for the day's events. Harold Clayton from the HATVA joined the Kin crew on Sunday for clean up duties. As always, all Kin proceeds will go towards community projects. The HATVA passed along its profits of \$1200 to the Kin club to be included in the total.

According to HATVA president Bob Johnson, the club is planning on a repeat of the ATV bog run next year. "We've had the best results since 2006," said Kin president Tom Prentice Sr. "we'd love to have HATVA back next year!" Saturday's show proved to be a classic demonstration of community minded clubs working together for the benefit of all. ■

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- 19 Hammett hound
- 20 Where to find an onager
- 21 Songwriter Greenwich
- 22 Spine-tingling
- 23 Fertile soil
- 24 Tumble
- 25 Java joints
- 26 — garde
- 27 Start of a remark
- 31 Herriot title start
- 32 Vigoda or Saperstein
- 33 Slippery character?
- 34 Brit. fliers
- 37 Singer Manchester
- 41 Celt
- 44 Faucet
- 47 94 Across highlight
- 49 Pants part
- 50 "The Jungle Book" boy
- 52 Cask
- 54 Part 2 of remark

- 57 "Love — the Ruins" ('75 film)
- 58 Neon —
- 60 Cap or dolman
- 61 Bookstore section
- 62 Bog
- 63 Precambrian —
- 65 In honor of
- 66 Snick and —
- 68 — above (somewhat superior)
- 69 Part 3 of remark
- 75 Baseball family name
- 76 Antitoxins
- 77 Mouth piece?
- 78 Long or Peeples
- 79 Solidarity leader
- 81 Forger's need
- 83 Cultural
- 88 Wear away
- 89 Carthaginian
- 90 Part 4 of remark
- 93 Comic Rickles
- 94 Bizet opera
- 96 Nasty
- 97 "How sweet —!"
- 98 Cpl.'s superior
- 100 Type of fuel

- 101 Porgy and bass
- 104 Fast flier
- 105 He gives a hoot
- 107 Cooke or Donaldson
- 108 Male swan
- 110 End of remark
- 121 Biblical city
- 122 "That's —" ('54 tune)
- 123 Actress Thompson
- 124 Gymnast Korbut
- 125 "West Side Story" role
- 126 Porsche propeller
- 127 Tel —
- 128 Crucifix
- 129 Texas' state tree
- 130 Marvel marvels
- 131 Coty or Clair
- 132 Dweeb

DOWN

- 1 French Sudan, today
- 2 From
- 3 Command to Fido
- 4 Mead's milieu
- 5 Breakfast treat
- 6 Morales of "NYPD Blue"

- 7 Disagreeable sort
- 8 Hard to believe
- 9 Priam's wife
- 10 Cheer
- 11 — Romeo
- 12 Mortgage, for one
- 13 Actor Amaz
- 14 Serenity
- 15 Disgust
- 16 Composer Khachaturian
- 17 Deep red
- 18 Volleyball divider
- 28 City on the Danube
- 29 Kind of kiln
- 30 Fenwick or Carter
- 34 Snitches
- 35 Inland sea
- 36 Prix —
- 38 Baton Rouge coll.
- 39 Cloth finish
- 40 — Mateo, CA
- 41 Errs
- 42 It darkens your doorway
- 43 Bird-to-be
- 45 Join
- 46 Follow
- 48 — you for real?
- 50 2001, to Tiberius

- 51 Skater Midori
- 53 Publisher Conde
- 55 At any time
- 56 Brewer or Wright
- 57 Orion, for instance
- 59 Part of Q.E.D.
- 61 Tofu base
- 62 Occupation
- 64 Sail through
- 65 Cozy cloth
- 67 Tons of time
- 69 Mild cigars
- 70 Fermented tea
- 71 Deplored
- 72 Shock
- 73 Word with baby or snake
- 74 Inauguration Day event
- 75 Filled with wonder
- 80 Instant, for short
- 82 Coq au —
- 84 — polloi
- 85 '87 Streisand film
- 86 Egyptian deity
- 87 — la vie
- 89 Supportive of
- 90 Princess bruiser

- 91 Klutz
- 92 Plastic — Band
- 95 Bill of Rights grp.
- 96 Interoffice communique
- 99 Honda competitor
- 101 Wimsey's creator
- 102 From C to shining C?
- 103 TV's "Scooby- —"
- 106 '81 John Lennon hit
- 107 Senator Thurmond
- 109 Borg of tennis
- 110 Actress Skye
- 111 Bank's backup org.
- 112 Clammy
- 113 "Typee" sequel
- 114 A bit of Beethoven
- 115 Weekend warriors: abbr.
- 116 Donated
- 117 Frigga's fellow
- 118 South African plant
- 119 Sikorsky or Stravinsky
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- 121 Weaken

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

WOMAN FEARS FOR SISTER LIVING WITH UNSTABLE DAD

DEAR ABBY: My father is a successful attorney. He appears to be the ideal father because he's charming, has a sense of humor and is intelligent. He's a different person in private. Since I was 12, he has verbally and emotionally abused me, sometimes hitting me, throwing me down, threatening to evict or kill me. Abby, I was not a bad child. I never experimented with drugs or alcohol and spent little time with friends. I'm currently in college and maintain a 4.0 GPA. My family and I think my father is mentally ill. He's extremely unstable and has a family history of these issues, including suicide. He has started stockpiling his deceased father's belongings, speaks to the dog as if it were a human being, and obsessively checks things in the house like locks, etc. He has extreme anger issues and other bizarre behaviors. It's clear Dad has a problem, but because it has not affected him at work he sees no reason to get help. The one time I brought it up it only enraged him. He believes he is the ruler of the house, in control of everything, but it's obvious he's losing control. We know we can't force him to get help, but what can I do to get Dad to see a psychiatrist or to improve the situation? Mom has given up, and I'm afraid for my little sister. She's in high school and still lives at home. — **BIG SIS IN NEW MEXICO**

DEAR BIG SIS: Your mother should have insisted your father get help when he started abusing you. Because she didn't, you should have told a teacher or counselor at school because they are mandated to report it. If your father abuses your sister, that's what she must do.

While many people mistakenly think that domestic abuse happens only in low-income families, family violence occurs among people on all social and economic levels. Because you fear for your sister's safety, contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline at (800) 799-7233. The people there can suggest help for your mother and sister, but your father cannot be "helped" unless he's willing to finally admit he needs it.

DEAR ABBY: I just returned from a "Manicure/Pedicure Party" for a friend who is being married. The invitation I received stated, "Please join us for a manicure and pedicure in honor of the bride-to-be." I was home about 10 minutes when I received a phone call from one of my hostesses. She told me that I had left without paying for my manicure and pedicure! I was floored. I told her I had forgotten, but the fact is, I had assumed since the invitation stated "Please join us" that the hostesses were paying. Did I misinterpret the invitation? Or do people now "host" parties where they expect the guests to pay their own way? I am embarrassed and confused. Should I have asked the salon worker or the hostesses who was paying the bill? — **CONFUSED IN COWTOWN**

DEAR CONFUSED: Obviously you did misinterpret the invitation, which should have clearly mentioned that the event was "no host" and the guests would be required to pay for their own "salon services." I see no reason why you should have assumed that you'd be asked to pay, and your confusion is understandable. But please don't feel embarrassed. The folks who should feel embarrassed are the "hostesses."

Horoscopes

It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: You are a romantic at heart, although you can be amazingly practical when you need to be.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although you don't like to change plans once they're set, once again, you might find that doing so can make a big difference in your favor. Family matters dominate the weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You continue to get encouragement for your proposals, including some support from unlikely sources. Use this positive flow to move forward with your plans. Good luck.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Family matters are dominant this week. It's a good time to be with those you love. It's also a good time to contact and reunite with loved ones with whom you've lost touch.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Be careful not to allow differences of opinion to create unpleasant feelings, especially in the workplace. A neutral observer could check out the situation and suggest a resolution.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) While the Lion's Den is the center of attention this week, with family matters dominating much of your time, workplace issues are also important. Try to find a balance between them.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The future of a new relationship could depend on how much the usually impatient-to-get-things-done Virgo is willing to stop pushing and let things happen naturally.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Worry over a loved one's well-being is eased with good news from a sympathetic source. Your continued show of love and support is important. Stay with it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) This is a good time to consider mending fences with someone you wish was back in your life. Forget about blame, and focus on the good things you once shared.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good week to start researching information regarding whatever changes you're considering, whether it involves a new home, a new location or a new job.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A long-anticipated job opportunity could turn out to be less than you expected. But appearances might be deceiving. Check it out before you decide it's not for you.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Good news: Adapting to a new situation might come more easily than you expected. You can look for continued support from colleagues who appreciate your contributions.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Someone you care for might need more reassurance from the typically "unemotional" Pisces. Go ahead. Open up, and you might be surprised at what you find when you do.

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Each answer starts with "C."
(e.g., A long, narrow strip of water made for boats. Answer: Canal.)

FRESHMAN LEVEL

1. A group of stars that form a long-recognized pattern in the sky. Answer _____
2. A visible mass of water or ice particles suspended at a considerable altitude. Answer _____
3. A negatively charged electrode. The opposite of anode. Answer _____

GRADUATE LEVEL

4. A threadlike body in the cell nucleus that carries the genes in a linear order. Answer _____
5. The amount of heat needed to raise 1 gram of pure water by 1 degree C. Answer _____
6. A field of mathematics that deals with rates of change and motion. Answer _____

Answer _____

PH.D. LEVEL

7. The study of the origin, evolution and structure of the universe. Answer _____
8. A waxy substance found in the blood and body tissues of animals. Answer _____
9. A substance that causes a normal cell to change into a cancerous cell. Answer _____

ANSWERS: 1. Constellation. 2. Clouds. 3. Cathode. 4. Chromosome. 5. Calorie. 6. Calculus. 7. Cosmology. 8. Cholesterol. 9. Carcinogen.

SCORING:

18 points — congratulations, doctor;
15 to 17 points — honors graduate; 10 to 14 points — you're plenty smart, but no grind; 4 to 9 points — you really should hit the books harder; 1 point to 3 points — enroll in remedial courses immediately; 0 points — who reads the questions to you?

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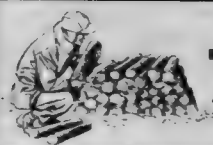
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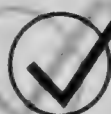
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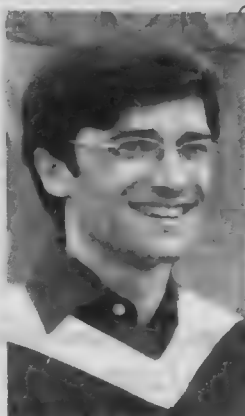
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Master of Divinity.

**Congratulations**

Parents George Farrell and
Michelle St. Pierre, and
grandparents Stan and
Jean Farrell, are proud to
announce the graduation of
Tyson Farrell. On June 3rd
Tyson graduated from
Trent University and
received a BA Honours
with a joint major in
International Development
Studies and History.

During the four years of his undergraduate
degree, which included a year of study at the
University of Ghana, West Africa, Tyson
maintained positions on both the Dean's Honour
Roll and President's Honour Roll. In the fall Tyson
will be travelling to England where he will be
reading for his M.Phil in Development Studies at
the University of Cambridge.

Announcements

Thank you to our family, friends,
church families and co-workers for
all your prayers, cards, phone calls,
flowers and gift cards.

Thank you to Marilyn and the other
Para-Med nurses who visited Jessie
for 7 weeks.

Thank you to all the nurses, doctors
and the paramedics who looked after
Jessie in April.

The tube is out and Jessie is back in
school; YIPPEE, it's about time!!!

We are so blessed to live in a small
caring community.

Jessie, Ross, Laurie, Bradford, Rachel
and Heidi Burk

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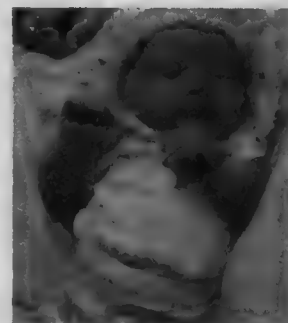
**50th
Wedding
Anniversary of**

Fred & Diane Pratt

There will be an Open House at the
Minden Legion
Saturday June 26th, 2010.
From 1pm to 4pm
Best Wishes only.

Pockett

Twinkle Twinkle little
star what a joyous
miracle you are...



Mike and Brianne
Pockett
are happy to
announce
the birth of their
first child

Gracie Mary Elizabeth

Born May 26, 2010
8 lbs, 10 oz

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R. Carruth. (Sept A)

Coming Events

STRAWBERRY SUPPER-
Saint Peter's Anglican Church
Strawberry salad & supper
Saturday June 26th, 5p.m.-7p.m.
Buffet style, adults \$12, children
under 12 \$6, 4 years and under
FREE. Tickets available at door
for info call Geraldine at 705-
754-4428 or Dorene at 705-489-
3606. (June D)

STRAWBERRY SUPPER -
Ingoldsby U.C.W is having a
Strawberry supper on June 26th
4-7p.m. adults \$12, Children
6-10- \$6 and children under 6
free. Craft and bake sale from
9a.m. on. (June C)

Announcements

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Local Family Raises \$5000 for Diabetes Research

By Will Jones

"We started with a goal of just \$300. We can't believe how generous everyone has been." Stacy Pietryszyn

While many Haliburtonians did their bit for cancer research at the Relay for Life on Friday night, one local family was focused on raising money for a different cause at the weekend. The Pietryszyn's headed up Parker's Dynamic Team in Peterborough on Sunday, at the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation TELUS Walk to Cure Diabetes. And, they did it in style, raising a whopping \$5000.

Parker Pietryszyn is not quite three years old and yet he is already braver than most of us when it comes to needles. Being diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes at the age of two, for the last nine months Parker has had to endure blood sugar tests eight times a day and insulin injections four times a day. His mom and dad also have to constantly monitor what little Parker eats - no sneaky candy treats for this little guy - and rouse him at 2am every night to check his blood sugar.

Parker's mom, Stacy Pietryszyn, has enlisted family and friends from as far a field as Ottawa, Sudbury and Oshawa to raise money for the charity walk and the \$5000 has been achieved in just one month! "We started with a goal of just \$300," says Stacy, "but after posting our challenge on Parker's blog we passed that first target in just eight hours." Since then, Stacy has set up a Facebook page and raced past target after target. "We can't believe how generous everyone has been."

As things currently stand there is no cure for Type 1 diabetes and so Parker will have to endure his blood testing and insulin injection regime for the rest of his life. However, the JDRF is constantly working towards finding a cure or at least making life more comfortable for sufferers like Parker.

But what is diabetes? Today, even with the availability of insulin, it is estimated that approximately half a million North Americans die as a result of diabetes and its associated complications each year.

Diabetes impairs the body's ability to use food properly. Normally, glucose, a form of sugar produced when starches and sugars are digested, is burned as fuel to supply the body with energy. But, in order to metabolize glucose properly, the body requires insulin.



Photos by Corey Pietryszyn

his Dad took him to the walk-in clinic. It was then that his problem was diagnosed and sent to hospital. "That first insulin shot I will never forget," says Stacy. "I cried when the doctor gave it to him. Parker was fantastic, though."

Last Sunday Parker's Dynamic Team set off on the charity walk, aiming to do 4 kms. "Everyone was having such a good time though that we missed the turn around point and completed the full eight Ks," laughs Stacy. "Parker had a fantastic time. There were loads of things for him to do and he thrived on the attention. It was a lovely day."

In addition to Parker's \$5000, other walkers boosted the overall total for the Peterborough walk to \$52,000. There are lots of other walks all across Canada and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) aims to beat last year's total raised of \$7.5 million.

If you would like to donate to Parker's Dynamic Team please go to: <http://www.facebook.com/15dcldjdrfca.donordrive.com/participant/parker>

For more information about diabetes go to: www.jdrf.ca.

stroke, blindness and amputation.

Parker's story is one that many other children and their families will relate to. Stacy says: "September 10th, 2009, is a day I'll never forget. It was the day Parker was diagnosed with diabetes." For almost a week previous, Parker had been drinking excessively, she explains. Stacy

would give him a cup and before she'd turned away, he'd have finished it and be asking for more.

That weekend the family went to the fair, Parker's first fair. "We don't usually give him sweets but he had cotton candy for the first time and some ice cream," says Stacy. "We didn't think much of it on the way home when he was looking pretty yucky as he was tired and it was a long, hot day." However, over the next week Parker was always thirsty, often grumpy, and, on returning from a walk with his Dad one evening, he threw up. Looking back, Stacy now knows that these signs were the first signals of Type 1 diabetes but at the time she put them down to the hot weather.

By the following Wednesday Parker was still not his usual bouncy self and

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But we celebrate the life you lived
And all the things you gave us;
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Please think of us, as we think of you
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Dorothy Iles
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Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Wednesday morning, June 16, 2010 in her 85th year. Beloved wife of the late Edward (Ted) Iles. Loving mother of Sheila (Bob Cole) of Huntsville. Fondly remembered by her grandson Corey. Dear sister of Richard Davies (Grace) of Haliburton and Bev (Ron Sawyer) of Little Britain. Predeceased by her son Leslie, her brothers Ron, Bill and by her sister Barb Nichols. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

Visitation & Memorial Service

Friends may call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario on Thursday morning, June 24, 2010 from 10 o'clock until time of Memorial Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. Interment later Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario or the Canadian Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family.

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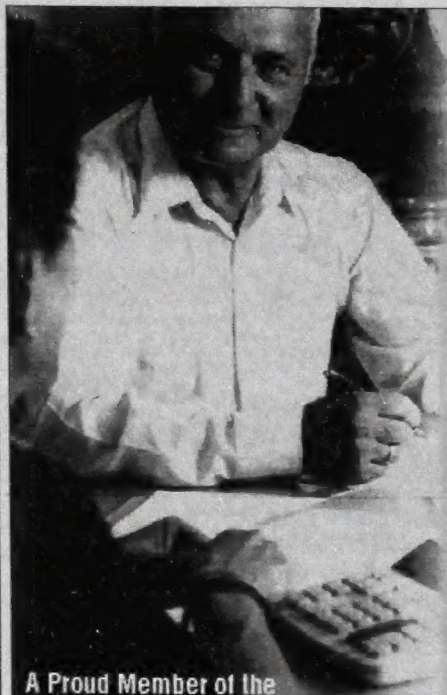
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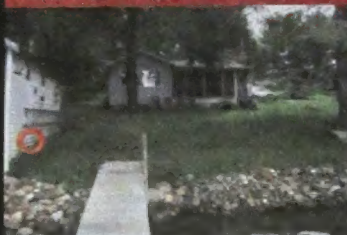
MAPLE LAKE - \$249,900



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Debbie Cumber* 457-2414 ext. 24

DRAG LAKE - \$1,395,000



Exquisite custom built post & beam home on Drag Lake. Over 700 ft of frontage with 73 acres of property for your enjoyment. Newly renovated. Many extras.

Larry Hussey * 705-457-2414 ext. 23

GREENS LAKE - \$169,900



Open concept home or cottage (plus garage) across small cottage road from lake. Brand new furnace plus woodstove, 3 large bedrooms, large bath with separate shower and full basement. Great swimming and fishing.

Rachel Carthew * 457-2414, ext 38

BITTER LAKE - \$69,000



3.53 ac maple bush to roam. 16 by 20 cabin / dock to sit and watch wildlife meander by. Space for campfires & kids to run. Close to snowmobiling. Walking distance to Bitter/Burdock lakes. Put your boat in, enjoy fishing on these 2 lakes. 10 mins to Kennis, Redstone lakes, West Guilford store & laundry.

Gloria Carnechan w/ Cindy Muezzel * 754-1932

MOUNTAIN STREET - \$59,000



Dry level lot partially cleared with a driveway where the older home used to exist. 1.72 acres with approx. 278 feet of frontage. 2 storage barns still exist on property.

Chris & Michelle Smolatz * 457-2414 ext. 22

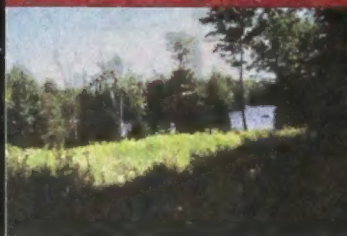
RETIREMENT HOME - \$159,900



Located on one acre with total privacy. 32' x 26' fully insulated garage with its own furnace. Many upgrades such as steel roof, newer oil forced air furnace, double paneled windows, hardwood flooring, central vacuum.

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BOYNE LAKE - \$109,000



1.72 acres - 155 feet water frontage - fairly level lot - smaller quiet lake - driveway in - partially cleared - ideal for cottage or waterfront home.

Larry Hussey * 457-2414 ext. 23

GREENS LAKE - \$397,000



2000 sq foot home or cottage on Beautiful Greens Lake. Enjoy great swimming and fishing just 10 minutes south of Gooderham. Year round road access. Very close to snowmobile/ATV trails

Rachel Carthew * 457-2414, ext 38

KENNISIS LAKE - \$235,000



240 ft frontage on 1.72 acres. Check out this great building lot on Paddy's Bay off Kennis Lk. Natural rock entering the water, mature trees, great privacy. Wide view across water to the west. Enjoy great sunsets, quiet canoe rides. Close to the Kennis Dam and a canoe trip to Red Pine and the Frost Center.

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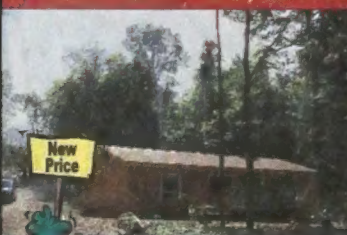
DUTCH LINE - \$119,000



3 bedroom home with attractive eat in kitchen - separate dining rm - large master bdrm - 20 x 17 workshop - situated on 2.84 acres

Diane Kaupp* 488-3077

SAMS LAKE - \$415,000



850 feet of frontage - surrounded by over 15 acres of forest - cottage was new in 2009 - 4 bedrooms - pine floors & ceilings - open concept - 1,152 sq ft of living space - plenty of room for family & friends.

Lindsay Elder ** 286-1234 ex. 223 or 457-5878

HALIBURTON LAKE - \$359,000



You are going to like this one!! Extensively renovated 3 bedroom cottage on one of the largest lakes in Haliburton County. Child friendly sand beach. Features include custom kitchen, upgraded windows & doors, propane stove plus boathouse.

Hal Johnson** 286-1234 ex. 229

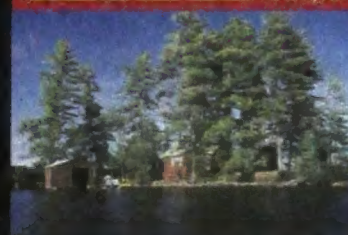
KENNISIS RIVER - \$249,900



1,588 sq. ft 3 bedroom, 1.5 washroom home on a full walk out features-main floor family room with stone fireplace and walkout to deck, formal living and dining areas, large master bedroom, central vacuum and air conditioning plus loads more!

Anthony vanLieshout** 457-2414 ext. 27

HORSESHOE LAKE ISLAND - \$179,900



Island property comprises of small cottage, bunkie and wet slip boathouse. Short ride to a very unique cottage experience. Great for children, safe sand beach. Includes pontoon boat. PRICED TO SELL!!

Don Rosborough* 286-1234 ext.235

LOTS & ACREAGE

BURNT RIVER - \$77,500 - level building site with driveway in & hydro installed

BASELINE - \$225,000 - 150 acres prime farm land

DOUBLE BUILDING LOT - GOODERHAM - \$24,900.

PRIME COMMERCIAL - GOODERHAM - \$39,900.

25 ACRES boarding Crown Land - \$36,000.

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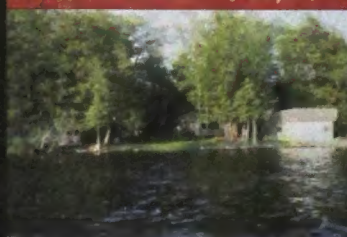
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MOUNTAIN LAKE - \$439,900



This cottage really does have it all, starting with 150 feet of southwest exposure. Upgrades include, new septic in 2004 along with new appliances in 2005 & a new roof, windows & siding in 2008. 4 season 3 bedroom cottage, to complete this package there is a boathouse with marine rail system, plus 2 bunkie.

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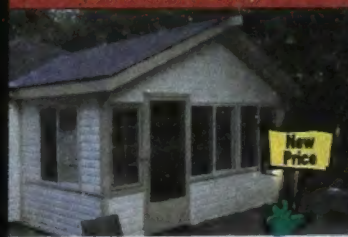
HORSESHOE LAKE - \$599,900



Custom brick 1532 sq ft, 4 bdr, 2 washroom 4 season home on a fully finished walkout lower level features solarium sunroom, stone fireplace, custom kitchen & washroom, spacious bedrooms and lower level patio.

Susan Johnson * 457-2414, ext 44

BURNT RIVER \$169,500



150 Ft frontage - 2 bdrms - many upgrades including new laminate flooring, updated sunroom & outdoor patio - full 4 pc bath - cozy bunkie - complete access to Trent system - boat to Fenelon Falls

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